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Christ and The World's Womanhood—A Symposium

WOMEN AND THE WAY is a little book of rare interest.

Those who have studied about the women of the world for the past thirty-eight years have felt a kinship with all women who follow the Way. Who are they? Where do they live? Have they indeed found Christ the Way? Have these women found the same blessings that we have found through following Him? Have they found the joy of education? Have they found freedom from the thralldom of superstition? Have they found the Way so beautiful that they want others to follow Christ? Have they given their lives in service to their country-women? What has Christ meant to the womanhood of the world?

In this book we have the testimonies from a few representatives of different lands. The authors are outstanding leaders; they are women with unusual gifts and extraordinary education. They are leaders not only in the church but in the nation. Several were delegates to the Madras Conference. Each speaks for her own country and the testimony is one: Christ means the same to women of every land.

The following articles represent women from our various United Presbyterian fields in the United States and in lands across the seas. They are personal testimonies showing the power of Christ in individual lives.

"God is waiting for women"—for American women to learn more of the needs of the millions who have not yet heard of the Way; for women who will join in the great service of spreading the good news. And God is waiting for women who have found the Way in every land to carry the message to their own sisters. We rejoice that we can join hands in this Kingdom service.

Miss Mina Soga's Idea of Worship

AT the Madras Conference there was no more interesting personality than Miss Mina Soga of South Africa. The same may be said of the Foreign Missions Conference held in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania in June.

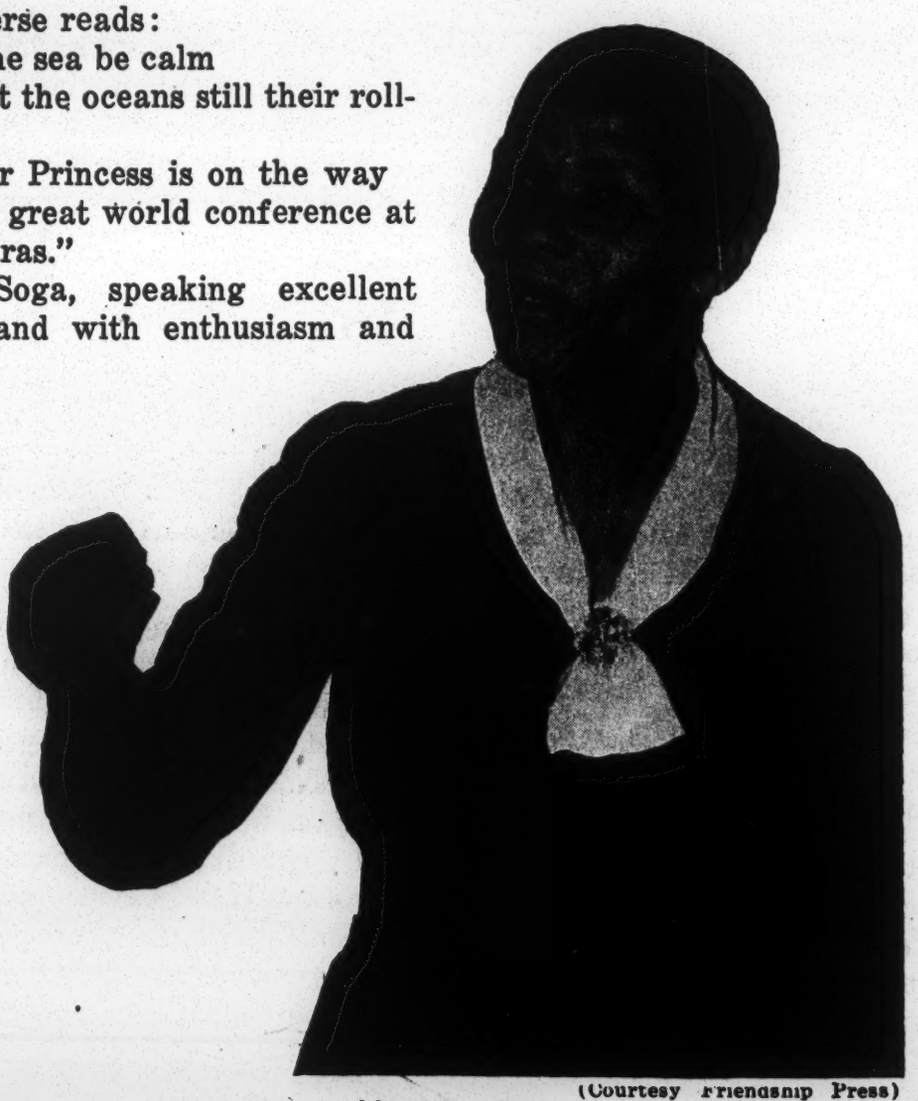
As Miss Soga was on her way to Madras she received a clipping from an African paper which contained a poem written by one of the contemporary poets of Africa. She is looked upon as royalty in her country and so the people call her their "princess."

The verse reads:

"Let the sea be calm
And let the oceans still their rolling
For our Princess is on the way
To the great world conference at Madras."

Miss Soga, speaking excellent English and with enthusiasm and gestures, which unfortunately cannot be transcribed gave the following message at one session of the Swarthmore Conference:

"We of the East are worshipers. That is why you find so many idols in the East. We love to worship. Worship is a great thing in our lives. And because we do not know the way and because we still need to worship, we make idols. We make gods of clay to worship. When our Lord was born, wise men saw the star in the East and they went to worship.



(Courtesy Friendship Press)

Miss Mina Soga

"So in our life as Christians worship means a great deal.

"While we of Africa do not encourage monks and nuns, and while we do not advocate monasteries, still we believe that when a Christian is about to worship it is necessary to collect himself and bring himself together, forget the world and get a right basis of approach to God before he actually starts to worship. We think it necessary to get there a few minutes before time just to get ourselves together, and we would ask our Mother America to adopt that plan. Our Mother is too busy to worship, so busy and full of things to say; it is necessary in meetings to have a wooden hammer to strike on the table. And when those of our Mother America start to worship they always begin: 'The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him' but they don't do it. They talk, talk, talk.

"We of Africa are not like that. We believe in worshiping not only with out hearts but with our bodies; we believe in putting ourselves out, because if we bow down we believe we get the spirit of humility. We may be primitive but we would like the people of our Mother America to be more uncomfortable when they worship, sometimes getting on their knees. Didn't our Lord get on His knees? If Jesus needed to humble Himself, how much more do we need to humble ourselves! We would like our Mother America to observe these things. We don't like her to teach us to talk in the house of God. We of Africa don't even say the name of God—we say 'The Great, Great.' So reverent are we when we think of Him."

Reported in *Lutheran Woman's Work.*

"Mother of My World"

AS in many eastern countries, Ethiopian women are known by the name of their firstborn. The following is a testimony that might be given by Haddah Alemei, the "Mother of My World." This mother is a simple, Galla peasant woman in whose face shines a real love for Christ.

"Christ is my all. Though I can't read nor write, I know that Christ died to save me from my sins. Over two years ago, I made a confession of Christ as my Saviour. Shortly after that time, my husband died suddenly from pneumonia. My countrywomen shriek and beat themselves when a loved one goes on. I wept and mourned, but I found a Comforter. Christ has been the One to whom I have been able to turn. Through Him, I have been able to pray for help and strength.

"Without the love and care of the Lord Jesus, I would be desolate. Five days after my husband died I bore my sixth child. Alas, it was a girl, one more mouth to feed. I called her Esther, though, for the missionary lady said that surely God must have sent her to me for some good purpose. May it be even so!

"My state has been hard, but the

Lord Jesus has taken care of me. My older girls have helped me with the younger children. The baby has gone with me daily to the mission hospital kitchen where I have had work making bread. For the supplying of my daily needs, I have been thankful.

"The missionaries are all going away now. Heretofore I have had a house on the mission compound in which to live. I have had work so that I might earn money to support my children. I don't know what I shall do now, but Christ is my all. He will never leave me nor forsake me."

Ruth Nichol.

"Haddah Alemei" (The Mother of My World) and her children.

The Bible Brought Peace

MY conversion to Christ was not due to my being able to read or listening to preachers. Once I became very ill, due to some stomach trouble and I was taken to the hospital. There I thought I was going to die, and on account of my great distress and sorrow I was giving my friends a lot of bother. My husband approached my bed and told me that he would like to read to me from the Bible. I asked him to read something to me that could give me peace. He read Isaiah,

The Women's Missionary Society of Sheikhupura, India. These are women who have received much and they are banded together to help serve others. The Board visitors—Mrs. Randles and Mrs. Boobyer were guests at a Tea in the home of Mrs. Heinrich. Miss Weede also one of the hostess.

chapter 53, verse 5.

Immediately I got peace. When I recovered I decided to learn the Bible and tell others who had no chance to hear anything about it. That was 15 years ago. I thought that this is a good way to spend my time instead of wasting all my time in preparing good food for my husband. I joined a missionary, who found out what I wanted and took me to his class which was composed of thirty-two male students, and I was greatly benefited.

For my sake Christ gave himself. He became responsible for my debt. By his blood I became clean. By his efforts and struggle I got strength. Because He lowered Himself I got dignity; because He suffered for me I became the child of God; by His suffering I became His friend and all my burden was taken away from me. Matthew chap. 11 verse 28.

When I think of all these thing which He had done for me, my heart fills with joy every moment I, the sinner, became clean by hi bloqd.

Wessene Leshe.

Faith of The Sudan

I WAS born of Ethiopian parents. My mother was of a Christian Amhara family and was stolen and brought to the Sudan where she endured much suffering because of her religion. Finally she accepted the Muslim religion and was married to a very fanatical Muslim, who later divorced her, leaving her a son. Then my mother married another Ethiopian, a Galla. To them I was born and later my brother.

My mother became acquainted with Mrs. Giffin and she placed me in the mission school from which I was graduated in 1925 and in which I became a teacher. From the first I was much interested in the Christian religion and in the greatness of Christ and His redemption.

When I was fifteen years old there came a suitor and my people thought he was just the man for me but I heard that he drank and was dissolute and I objected so much that finally my brother refused him and that after mother had spent the money which this man had paid for dowry My kind brother was compelled to pay this all back to him.

I thought more and more about th Christian religion but I did not tell any of my family. I kept thinking of the happy day when I would be old enough to decide for myself. At last after much time spent in prayer I decided to write to my brother and tell him of my decision. When he came to the school he began in all kindness to tell me what it would mean to the family, causing them all to be despised.

Then he became very angry with me, threatening me, but all these things only increased my courage. Then my mother came wailing and screaming. Never before could I stand against my mother's tears but my heart endured this and God stood by me.

I went before the Governor where I was questioned as to why I wanted to change my religion. My brother became much wrought up and insist-

ed that I must obey him, but the Governor said since I was then twenty-one, that I was free to do as I pleased.

Then I appeared before the judge and was questioned again and again. Finally I was brought before the judge and the governor and the last decision was to be made. I was told that my people probably would not receive me if I should change my religion and I told them I knew it.

On my return from the last court appearance when I was given permission legally, to become a Christian, I felt the relief of one who has been on a long journey and has finally reached a haven of rest. After this I was baptized and I count that happy day my birthday because it was the day in which I was received into the fold of my Saviour Jesus Christ.

I thank God because I now see that in spite of my numerous trials His power encircled me and there was added the blessing of the love of God and the inward peace with which Jesus has filled my heart. Since that time I have been filled with the deepest sense of calm joy and I am certain that it is the hand of God which has guided me.

Faith.

This is but a part of the story written in Arabic by Faith herself and translated by Miss Una Coie. Faith was not permitted to go home for more than two years then the mother heart longed for her dear daughter and she asked her to come to visit her. Soon the father's heart was melted and he received her, and finally the brother, who had been so cruel, admitted that he was at fault in all his dealings with her. Faith made a home for her parents and still supports them though she continues her teaching. Faith is honored and respected by Christian and Muslim alike and today is a witness to the power of Christ in the human heart.

Editor.

The Regeneration of Fulana

FOUR years ago Fulana was a nominal Christian, attending services in the local Coptic Church but having no vision of service. She heard through the other women of the village that an Evangelist had come and was teaching the women to read. She decided to attend one of his meetings and see if it were really true. To her great joy she learned that they were not only learning to read but were having definite Bible Study as well. At once she joined the class and brought her younger sister with her.

In a remarkably short time she was reading well from the Bible and began to help teach the new women who were starting, or the other women of her class who were slower than herself. Then we suggested that the women should begin some Bible Memory work. Fulana, of her own accord, decided that in this work she could help the most by keeping "one jump" ahead of the other women and thus encourage them to attempt more. She completed the "Helen Gould" memory work and then as they were doing that she started on the Catechism which was quickly followed by the Gospel of John, etc.

Fulana was a baker—going from house to house to help the women

bake. She always carried her Testament in her pocket and, upon entering a house, would gather all the members of the family together, read from the Bible and have prayer before she began the day's work. She would also inquire if any of them wished to learn to read and if they did she would contact a teacher from amongst the women of her class and would have the lessons start at once.

At our Presbyterial Meeting this last Spring Fulana was asked to give an address. She made careful preparation, aided by the Evangelist, and that day walked up on the platform, possessing a remarkable amount of grace, dignity and poise and gave an exceptionally good address, aided only by a few notes.

Several of our pastors were present and, following the meeting, one pastor said, "I never thought I should live to see the day when a village woman from B—, with a shawl on her head, should stand on the platform of the Second Church of Minia and give one of the finest addresses I have ever heard."

Jeannette McCrory.

A Christian Mother's Influence

WOULD you like for me to tell you a bit about my family? We are all interested in social and religious work and in service for our country. My mother established a real Christian home for us; she leads us in our morning prayers and we depend upon her a great deal.

Mother was taught at the Pressley Memorial School in Assiut and there she was graduated. When she was married she and my father lived in a small village where women were considered as useless beings and who should be shut up all day long in their homes. But mother, with the help of my father started visiting these homes and tried to enlighten these people. She taught them how important it was to have learned women who are to build up and bring up the future men. Although it was a hard task for her at the beginning she became very popular among them and was often sought for help in family problems.

Mother is the President of the Temperance Society; she is a member of the National Y. W. C. A. Committee and is the treasurer of the Women's Society of her church.

I think it is due to the influence of our mother that we all like service. This summer I have been carrying on with four friends of mine a Daily Vacation Bible School. We had forty girls and boys who were underprivileged poor children, some of them street children. We enjoyed the work very much. We taught them Bible stories, and hymns. Besides religious teaching we gave them lessons in hygiene, penmanship, arithmetic, reading, poetry and a lot of other things.

At the end of the month we gave a program in which there were twenty-four numbers which the children either acted, sang or recited. On that day we invited parents and relatives and we distributed prizes. The sight was really thrilling to me and I thanked God for giving me an opportunity of service.

I also go on Sabbaths to the slum section of the city where I teach the

Sunday School lesson to a group of children.

After I take my diploma in the college I am planning to get a B.A. degree. Do try to come and see our land. I am sure you would like it immensely.

From a personal letter of a *Student* in the American Mission College for Girls, Cairo, Egypt.

Comfort Through Following Christ

IT is very difficult to say either in full or with certainty how many times Jesus comes unrecognized and sometimes unknown as mentioned in Luke 24:16. But there are certain cases which leave no doubt as to the help Jesus did afford.

On a Sabbath evening in March 1935, when I was returning from a distant place where I had been doing some humble service for His cause, and just before I reached the school, I found myself under a terrible wave of pain. I was carried to the school and the doctor came for help. To my great astonishment and disappointment he decided on an immediate operation. It was a great trial for me to undergo such a dangerous operation, with a very doubtful result to life away from my parents and relatives.

I can never forget that day of trouble as I felt Jesus Christ was beside me giving me peace and rest. Life and earth were to me the same. Neither can I forget the very many friends whom Jesus sent to me daily to ask after my health, not to mention the many letters that came to me from known and unknown people. The forty-two days spent in the hospital were days of the conscious presence of Jesus and from that time on I have trusted Him to the uttermost.

Later my mother fell ill. Her sickness proved to be very painful and I decided that I should leave the school in order to care for her. The doctors gave us little hope of recovery but help came in the form of a newly-made injection which was used as a trial. It was successful and gave mother sleep and rest. Her health began to improve to some extent if not to the full extent. We thank God very much that in the times of fear and distress He came to help.

It is not easy to state how many times Jesus has given me help, how often he has given me comfort in pain and sorrow, how constantly he has kept my feet from walking in darkness—sometimes known, sometimes unknown.

An Egyptian Teacher.

Co-Education In Gordon College

GORDON COLLEGE, Rawalpindi, India, reports 30 girl students among its 570 boys. Eleven of the girls are Christians and the rest Hindus and Sikhs. All are day scholars. Most of them have brothers attending classes.

Our purdah (girls only) classes have, one by one, been dropped for various reasons and the girls are now attending classes with the boys, except in a few instances, so I think we can truly say we are a co-educational institution.

We are trying a new thing this year—a Christian Students' tea party once a month. The boys plan the simple tea. The girls help pour and serve, and the Christian professors plan the games. It has been a great success so far as the boys are concerned, but many of the girls are really too shy to attend.

(*Mrs. R. R.*) *Isabella Stewart.*

Kinnaird College---An Awesome Challenge

Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore, is twenty-five years old. The first college for women in the Punjab, it was opened with a student body of six and part-time staff of three. Twice Kinnaird has outgrown its quarters, and last November there was the laying of the cornerstone of one of the four buildings now being erected on its new site in the outskirts of the city. Increasingly Indian women are occupying positions of greater responsibility and usefulness in public service, and that part of their preparation which is made in a Christian College is of inestimable value.

The College is under the administration of an association composed of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission and the Church Missionary Society of Great Britain; the Presbyterian and United Presbyterian Churches of America, and the Punjab Indian Christian Conference; and receives grant in aid from the Government of the Punjab. Our resident staff of Christian members is composed of persons from Bengal, Ceylon, Travancore, The Punjab, Scotland, England, and the United States. There are many diversities in such a group, but we are one in the desire to give Christ the pre-eminence in this college.

The student body numbers 210, capacity enrollment for our present quarters. They represent the Christian, Hindu, Mohammedan, Sikh, and Parsee religious communities. It is profoundly challenging and awesome that day by day this group of diverse creed and nationality should meet in chapel, evening prayers, and Bible study. We accept this challenge, even abiding beneath God's promise. "My Word . . . shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Margaret Ballantyne.

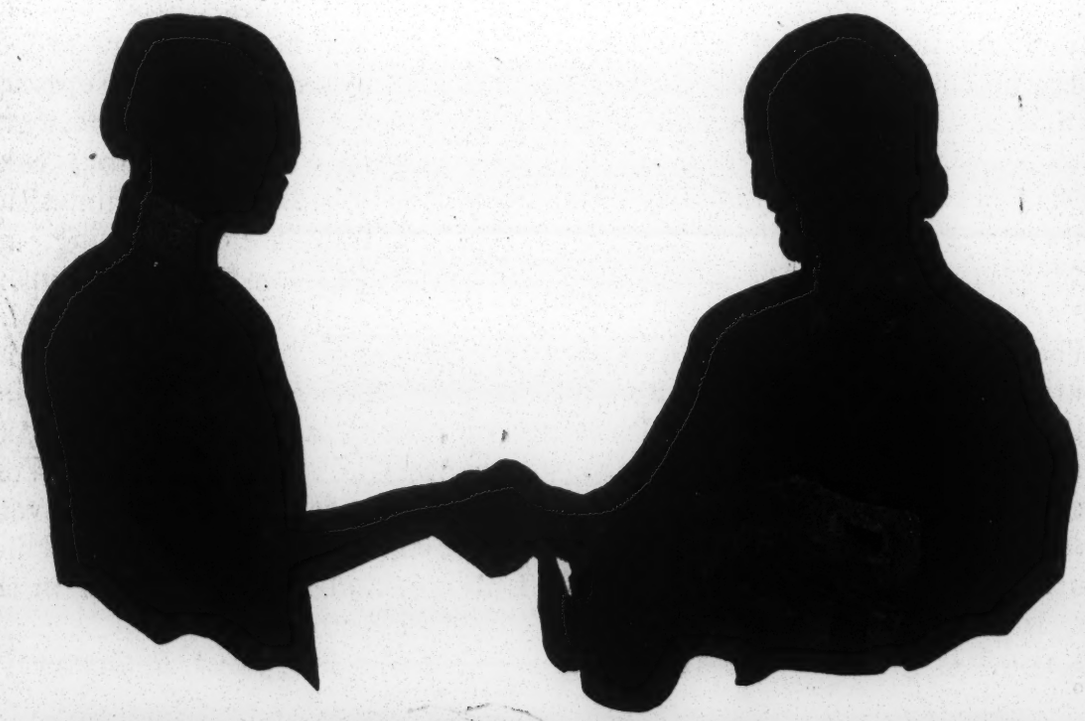
Madame Chiang Kai-Shek Decorated

IN Chungking a group of Western and Chinese women decided to organize an international Woman's Club. In its first year of organization the membership was over one hundred with eight different nationalities represented. I happened to be the president of the group.

When the Federation of Women's Clubs of New York City decided to present a medal of award to Madame Chiang (the first one given in ten years; the last one being given to Madame Curie), they presented it to the Chinese embassy of Washington; one of the representatives went to New York City to receive the medal for Madame Chiang. Mr. Liu of the Embassy, was leaving immediately for China and Chungking, so the medal was given to him with the idea that he would present it to Madame Chiang. When Mr. Liu got to Chungking, however, he found that there was a Woman's Club there and the president was an American. He asked that I would present the medal to Madame Chiang. That is how it all came about.

Madame Chiang is truly modest; her own wishes were that the medal should be given rather privately, without much ado. She was giving a tea party for her 150 Chinese women who have been her committee women in her whole work for War Relief Work. Madame Chiang is chairman of the women's division of the New Life Movement. This group has been most active in war orphan work, in relief of soldiers at the front, in securing clothes and housing, and in reconstruction work (establishment of factories and co-operatives for refugees in "free China.")

In Chungking this group of women

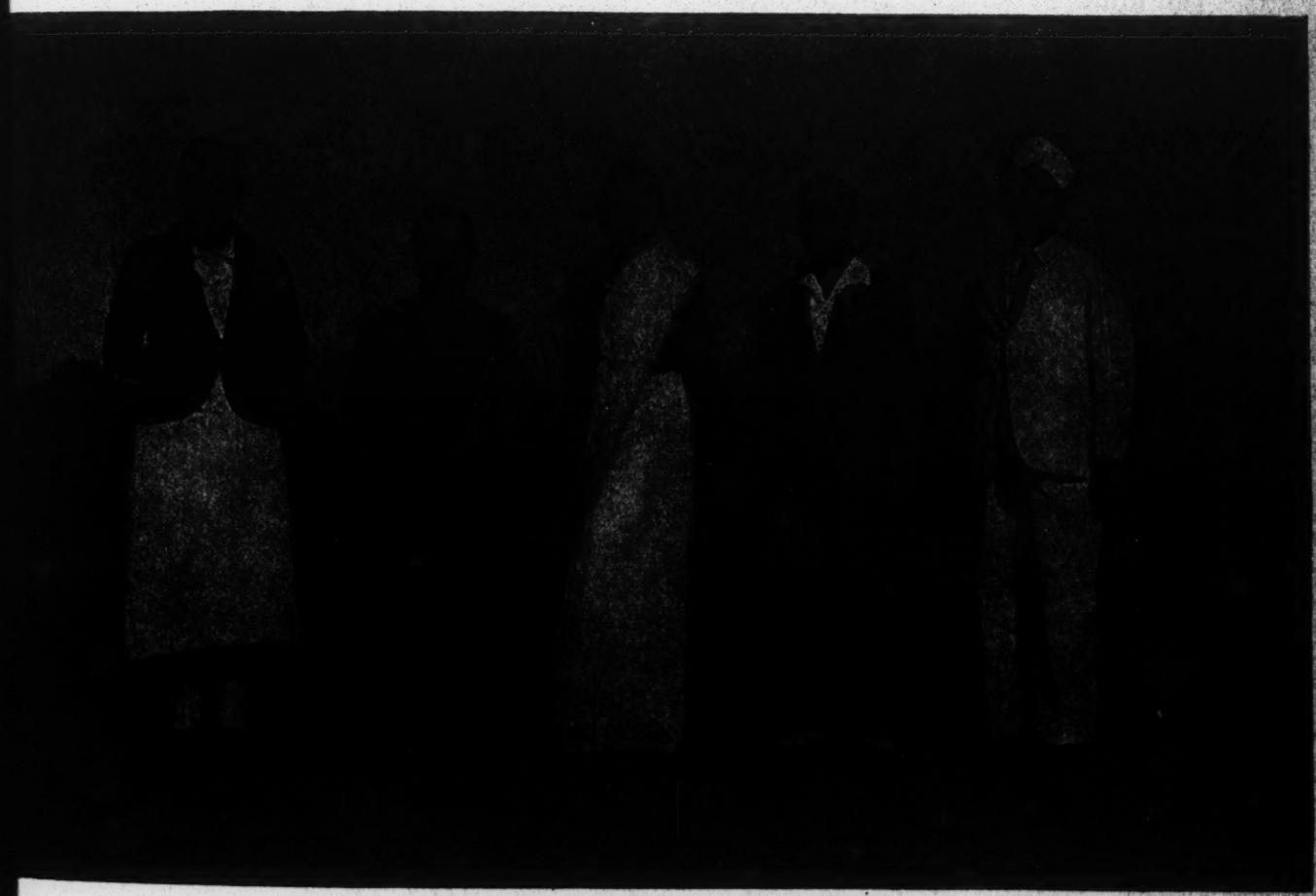


Two delegates to the Madras Conference—one from China, one from Japan The clasped hands are a symbol of the Christian bond that rises above national differences.

have met with her often, each in turn reporting on what her sub-committee was accomplishing. Madame Chiang has been their inspiration, their leader, their idol, as they have continued in hard war work. Mrs. William Wang, Madame Chiang's chief assistant in the New Life Movement, suggested that the medal be presented at this tea party, which would not be a public affair. This, she thought, would be better than a private presentation. Madame Chiang consented. Mr. Liu and I made speeches. I tried to express what we American women feel regarding Madame Chiang—that she truly is the most outstanding woman in the world today because of her courageous leadership of her country in this time of crisis and stress. Never once has she faltered in her great faith that the final victory shall be China's.

Madame Chiang in accepting the medal, said sincerely that she did so not for herself personally but in the name of the Chinese womanhood: that were it not for the help of these women (150 helpers) and others like them in the land, the work that she had attempted could never have been accomplished. Therefore she said, "This medal belongs to them." In that spirit she accepted it.

Miss Katherine Boeye. Reported in *World Outlook.*



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DELEGATES TO MADRAS CONFERENCE.

ft to right: Miss Mina Soga, South Africa; Pao-chien Hsu, Ph. D., China; Miss Ila Sircar, graduate of Kinnaird ollege, India; Hachiro Yuasa, Ph. D., Japan; and Rajah B. Manikam, Ph. D., India.

A Follower of the Way in China

I WAS brought up in a non-Christian Chinese family. At the period of adolescence I was bewildered about the meaning of life and felt very pessimistic about it. The influence of Buddhism only intensified my feeling of futility toward life. It was through Christ that I gradually grasped the meaning of life and became optimistic.

God has a definite purpose for each of His children in this world to accomplish. Through seeking and doing His will, life becomes fruitful and meaningful. The love of Christ and His message give me dynamic power to serve mankind, especially the underprivileged, the villagers. I am enabled to sacrifice the comforts of city life, going to the poor villages to offer my service. In working with the rural folks I get interesting experiences. Through this service I have found the secret of abundant life.

In facing my weakness, temptation and difficult problems the words of Jesus become living to me, providing me sufficient grace to overcome all difficulties. In my loneliness I have found a close fellowship with Jesus who has said, "Lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." When my self-centeredness bothers me, Saint Paul's words in identifying self with Christ become very real and powerful: "It is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me." The abiding of Christ in me strengthens my faith and enriches my spiritual experience. Life becomes very fruitful and meaningful.

Hwei-lan Ong.

"All Things New" on An Indian Reservation

IT has been three years since I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour, and I have never regretted this because He brought before me many new and wonderful things. The things I used to love have no place in my heart now.

Through Christ, I have learned to love spiritual things and enjoy the fellowship which I have. The Bible and the privilege that we all have in prayer have become more precious to me.

I praise and thank my Master for this wonderful opportunity of studying His Word and having this small place in His service. I am always happy that I can testify to His saving power, the power of changing all things.

As my year text I have chosen: "As I was with Moses, so shall I be with thee: I will not fail thee nor forsake thee."

Pearl Bear.

An American Girl Speaks

TO tell what Christ means to me, is a pretty big order. In the first place, He means so much more to me than I am usually conscious of. It isn't until I read of women in other countries or hear missionaries tell their stories that I realize how unutterably much He has made possible and factual that I simply take for granted. What freedom! Chinese Tseng sees God in her unbound feet, and the Turkish girl recognizes that it is He who lifts her veil. The young widow who has found protection and purity at the compound knows that she will lose both if Christ leaves Ethiopia with the missionaries. School in winter and camp in summer, a job in the day and a party at night, the satisfaction that comes only from being of some service in the world—such common, every-day affairs to young women in America; such highly-prized, newly-won possessions or dearly-sought goals to the young women of India or South America or the Philippines.

But there is another reason why it is hard to say what Christ means to me, and it is just the opposite of the first. It's because I'm so very conscious of it—of the enormity of it all—that words seem pitifully inadequate to try to convey it. Far from taking it for granted, I can never get over gasping at "Love so amazing. . . ."

Once I was the "miserable wretch" that Paul described, desiring to do what is right, but wrong being all I could manage. Once I was afraid of everything from June bugs and fire to people and the future. Once I worried and fretted and stewed around. Once little things irritated me and had the power to spoil my day. Once I had no control over my temper and so said and did things that made other people and myself miserable. Once I felt the ache and deep disappointment of dreams that just wouldn't come true.

And then one day Christ came along, knocked at my double-arched door, and offered to take all those things in exchange for something He had. My amazement began that day with that exchange and has been growing ever since. For my sense of sin and shame He gave both the fact and the feeling of being forgiven—free and clean and "A new creature in Christ." For my fears and worries He gave me the "peace that passeth all understanding." For my failures and feelings of frustration and inferiority He gave me "the victory that overcometh the world." For my blue days and moody moments He gave me "joy unspeakable and full of joy." And for that disappointment of dreams that won't come true He gave me the assurance that if my dreams don't come true, it is because they aren't good enough—that He has something so much better in store, "exceeding abundantly above" what I have dreamed. God is my Father and I am His beloved child. The world is my home and I can never be lonely because no matter where I go I find my brothers and sisters, and my Elder Brother if others should fail. Nothing can go permanently wrong because I know "that all things work together for good to them that love God." Life is no longer dull or negative but glorious

and positive, an adventure, a song. Service is no longer a duty but "a magnificent obsession." All my questions have been answered but one: "What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?"

"Because love has been lavished so
Upon me, Lord,
A wealth I know that was not meant
For me to hoard,
I shall give love to those in need,
The cold and hungry clothe and feed,
Thus shall I show my thanks indeed."

Yet when I've said all that I've hardly begun to tell what Christ means to me.

Grace Harbison.

What Christ Means to the Coal Miner's Family

THE question, "What has Christ meant to you?" was thrown out informally to a group of women, and the following are their replies:

One testifies: "Christ has meant everything to me since I gave my heart to Him and became a member of the Church."

Another: "For several years I have recognized the power of Christ's saving love as a working force in our family, but during the past few years when we were down to the last in food and raiment, my husband sick and unable to work, facing a third surgical operation with little hope of recovery, our relatives unable to help because they, too, were unemployed, there was nothing left but to commit ourselves to the care and keeping of the Christ, Who works all things together for good to those who love Him, believe in Him, and trust Him. God took charge, my husband is well and working every day, we have a lot to be thankful for and we owe it all to the God who furnishes all our needs."

Says another: "The mine shut down, my husband was laid off, I was ill—confined to bed. From his last pay check we paid the rent, having three dollars left for living expenses. One day while cooking the last bit of food we had in the house the Insurance Nurse came bringing us a goodly supply to meet our needs for some time. I believe her coming to our home that day was God answering my prayers."

This one says: "When the mine shut down and my husband was laid off and our social security exhausted I was without milk for the baby and no money with which to buy. My husband had tried everywhere for employment but failed. We were desperate; I did not know where to turn for milk so went to God and rested in His promise to supply our needs. The next day my father sold some of his personal possessions to secure money with which we could buy milk for the baby."

"Yes," declares another, "these trying days which we must endure require much faith for without faith in a living Saviour it is impossible, 'for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him' (Heb. 11:6). We must be faithful, content with trials for He hath said, 'I will never leave thee nor forsake thee' " (Heb. 13:5).

Elizabeth Brinton Clark.

What Christ Means to the Negro Race

IF the Son shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Christ working on the hearts of His people constrained them to give liberty to a helpless and enslaved people, even at the cost of their own lives. He constrained them to go among them to teach them both secular things and the things of the Kingdom. I would say, then, that Christ has meant to my people, *freedom;* personal, mental, and spiritual.

M. B. Cotton.

Christ in the Mountains

TO every soul there openeth
A way and ways and a way
And the high soul climbs the high way
The low soul gropes the low;
And in between on the misty flats
The rest drift to and fro—
But to every one there openeth
A high way and a low
And every man decideth
The way his soul shall go."

Christ is the perfect pattern and when men are deciding which path in life they will choose; whether they will choose the high way or the low they must either make their decisions for Christ or against Him.

When I was in the fifth grade in school the call came to me to choose the path in which my soul should travel. I was very disturbed about what I should do but after having talks with good Christian friends I realized that in order to be happy and have peace in my heart I must serve the Master.

Christ has meant more to me than I can ever express. I began to try to correct my habit of speaking slightingly of others and this was a challenge to be kind and sympathetic toward everyone.

During my high school days I met and associated with many young people who were indifferent to Christ. By Christ's guidance I said "No" to their invitations to go places with them and to join them in many things which they did which I felt were not in accordance with Christ's will.

Christ has been a comfort, a joy, a satisfaction to me. He has loved me and directed me when all other sources failed. I have truly found in Him a friend above every other friend.

Juniata Hill.

What Christ Means to My People

SPEAKING for myself I can say that since I have taken Christ for my Saviour I have been happy because of His presence in my heart always.

Among my people I have seen a complete change brought about in the lives of men and women by their accepting Christ. I remember one night about two years ago, I attended a prayer meeting in a home across the hill from our home. During the Scripture reading we were most alarmingly interrupted by screams from a neighboring house. A drunken man, who lived near the family

was threatening to kill the woman of the house. After a little they were quieted and we continued our service. We prayed especially for that drunk man that he might be brought to see the error of his ways.

A few weeks later during a revival service in that community, this man was converted. What a change! He seemed like an entirely new man. The light radiated from those once glaring eyes. He was later called to preach and is now preparing to go into the ministry.

This is but one of the many similar cases of answered prayer and changed lives. Christ means to me and to my people, the turning of lives from the ordinary selfish works of men to the gloriously happy life in Christ.

Martha Ferguson.

What Christ Means to Our Italian Americans

AS I look back through the years of our missionary work among the Italian immigrants and their children, I can truly say: "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation." As I recall the poor, illiterate, superstitious strangers in a strange land, and recall the depressed, fearful, and even despairing expression on their sad faces, and then look upon the shining, happy and hopeful faces of the same people today, my heart sings in exultation: "Praise ye the Lord, O my soul." Truly the Gospel has transformed these people, and Christ has been the transforming power that has changed them and sustained them in their trials and tribulations!

They have been taught to be good citizens, and they have learned to love this country of adoption; they have been taught to be law-abiding, and none of those who have been connected with our mission has ever been dragged to court. Illiterate they were, but the Gospel has given them an interest in education so that many have their children in college today.

But the greatest evidence of their transformation is the passion and love for their Master. A woman who has suffered much in life, and who has recently accepted Christ, has expressed this love with this testimony: "I would not know what to do with my life today without Christ."

Mrs. S. Migliore.

GOD INCARNATE

Sing out the strains triumphant,
On this, the Christ Child's birth;
With power and grace abundant
He comes from heaven to earth.
To those who sit in sadness
He brings His peace sublime.
All nature thrills with gladness
To hail the Child Divine.

Sing out the sweet old story
That all may be forgiven,
For Christ is come in glory—
The chains of sin are riven.
In human form He cometh,
Born of the Virgin mild,
That all may know the Father
Through the incarnate Child.

Anna Gallimore. In *Womans Missionary Friend.*

Who's Who

Writers of Special Articles

1. Miss Mina Soga: A "princess" of South Africa. Delegate to Madras Conference. Later a visitor and speaker with the post-Madras delegates who toured the U. S. and Canada.
2. Faith: A valiant Christian; Teacher in Girls' School Khartum, Sudan.
3. Haddah Alemei—("Mother of My World")—a humble Christian. The story told by Miss Ruth Nichol for several years superintendent of the Girls' School founded by the Empress of Ethiopia and presented to our Mission.
4. Wessene Leshe: Formerly Bible Woman in Hospital Addis Ababa.
5. Miss Jeannette McCrory tells the story of Fulana. Miss McCrory is a missionary on furlough from Egypt.
6. A student in the Cairo College for Girls who was awarded a prize for her qualities as an outstanding student.
7. A Teacher in a Girls' School—Just one of scores of devoted workers in Egypt.
8. Mrs. R. R. Stewart, wife of Dr. R. R. Stewart; Dean of Women in Gordon College; Writer and translator.
9. Miss Margaret Ballantyne: "A daughter of India"; Now professor in Kinnaird College, Lahore, India.
10. Madame Chiang: Story told by Miss Katherine Boeye, president of the Woman's Chinese-American Club. (For a delightful account of the Soong family read the Chapter, "A Song of the Soongs" in Gunther's INSIDE ASIA).
11. Miss Hwei-lan Ong: Graduate of Ginling College; Christian worker in China. Doing Post Graduate work in Chicago University.
12. Pearl Bear. Graduate of High School, Tama, Iowa. Now a student in Boone Bible School.
13. Miss Grace Harbison: A High School Teacher. Ellwood City, Pennsylvania.
14. Miss Elizabeth B. Clark, Home Missionary, reports the words of several Christian women who have passed through severe trials.
15. Mrs. John Cotton: Wife of Dr. Cotton and his co-laborer through the years. Mrs. Cotton is a graduate of Knoxville College and of Oberlin College.
16. Miss Juanita Hill, Ezel, Ky., student Sterling College.
17. Miss Martha Ferguson, H. S. student, Ezel, Ky.
18. Mrs. Salvatore Migliore, Wife of the Pastor of Second Italian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
19. Mrs. Harriet Skemp Nystrom, M. D. For the past two years a physician in George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
20. Mrs. John McKelvie: Leader of the McCown Circle, Mt. Lebanon Pittsburgh Church; Teacher of a large class in S. S.; Monongahela Presbyterial Temperance Secretary.

Suggested Devotional Service

For Program Study on "CHRIST AND THE WORLD'S WOMANHOOD"

By (MRS. C. W.) ELSIE WEHLING FULTON

Devotional Theme for year beginning April, 1939: INSPIRING INFLUENCES

INSPIRING INFLUENCE FOR JANUARY: The Christian Home.—II Tim. 1:5.

Opening Pledge: (In unison.)

"We pledge ourselves to nobler deeds,
To loftier thought and purer life,
To be more faithful in the strife
For what our nobler nature pleads.

"Remembering all the solemn past,
Its lessons treasured in the heart,
So we will live and act our part
As if this New Year were our last."

Prayer for the New Year:

"O Christ, our glorious King,
Thy law write on each heart;
And bring us to the Heavenly Home
Where we shall never part.

"There let us sing the song of songs;
There let our praise be given,
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The Trinity in Heaven." Amen.

Song: Bible Songs Hymnal No. 138.

Scripture References to Religious Homes: I Sam. 1:26-28; Ruth 1: 14-17, 22; II Kings 4:8-10; John 12:1-3; II Tim. 1:5.

Leader: Paul was deeply attached to Timothy, his young friend and faithful fellow-laborer. He had a high regard for Timothy's character which, as he intimated, was the result of the religious teaching and influence of Timothy's early home.

There are three great factors in making human society into a religious society: the Christian home, the Christian Church, and the Christian school. Of these, the Christian home is not the least important and influential. The Christian home exercises an inspiring influence over the members of the home, whether young, mature, or aged. In the Christian home, children are taught the precepts of Christianity and see its principles exemplified in life, the mature receive strength and courage to meet the responsibilities of life, and the aged are given comfort and sustaining grace for their declining years.

Christianity has elevated woman from a position of degradation and inferiority and, in the home, has given her the place of honor and influence to which she is entitled.

"However humble the home may be,
Or tried with sorrow by Heaven's decree,
The blessings that never were bought or sold
And center there are better than gold."

In the beginning of this New Year it would be well for every woman to take the following as the motto for her home:

"Whoe'er thou art that entereth here,
Forget the struggling world
And every trembling fear.

"Take from thy heart each evil thought,
And all that selfishness
Within thy life has wrought.

"For once inside this place thou'lt find
No barter, servant's fear,
Nor master's voice unkind.

"Here all are kin of God above—
Thou, too, dear heart: and here
The rule of life is love."

Prayer: For the homes of the world. (For suggestions, see 4, 12, and 31 Days in the Prayer Cycle.)

Closing Song: B. S. H. No. 98.

We Leave Ethiopia

Sept. 15, 1939
American Mission
Taxila, Punjab, India

Dear Friends:

For three years we had faced the possibility of a sudden exit from Addis, but, when the necessity for it came, we were so unprepared. It was Thursday morning, August 24th. Mrs. Cremer was working in the Pharmacy, and I was making rounds in Men's Medical Ward. We were called to the office, where was told us the advice just sent by the British Consul, that all women and children, immediately leave, because of the imminence of war, in which case all communication with the coast might be cut off. For the first time since rumors had been coming to us, we felt it was best to act. Our few trunks were off 36 hours later, and, Sunday morning, August 29th, Mrs. Cremer with her two little boys and I with the wee lassie, said, "goodbye," to those we love, to the work we love and to the country we love.

How vividly stand out memories of those last weeks and days! There was no formal farewell to the dear Ethiopian friends. As they crowded about the cars that last morning, there was deep, almost stunned sorrow in faces. Four and five years of living together, and those, difficult years, had made heart ties which were painful to break. And it, somehow, seemed so final. How precious will remain the memories of the last things that happened. There were the seven babies born during the last seven days, a record for our hospital, and only one of them a normal delivery. There was the little six-year old boy brought to us one night, clammy cold and in deep coma, having drunk a bottle of whiskey, they say, by mistake. Strenuous stimulation and stomach washing was rewarded by a weary but sweetly conscious little smile the next morning. Then, we wonder what will be the future of Ato Mudhin, brought in just ten days before we left, with a badly fractured pelvis and leg. We despaired of his life because of associated internal injuries received from the stone wall which fell upon him. It was thrilling to know that two congregations of Christian men and women were praying for his recovery and we feel it was truly miraculous, his immediate recovery. But he has many months to be bedridden before he will walk again. And we are really thankful for the death of Almaz. She was a patient young sufferer with tuberculous peritonitis, and she so dreaded our leaving her with the possible closing of the hospital, and she, needing three-hourly dressings, and so helpless. That last Sunday, when the little school girls were singing for her, she requested that beautiful song, "Dear Lord, I Am Lonely For Thee." The afternoon before she slipped away, she called the young girl who cared for my baby, saying, "I just wanted to say 'goodbye' to you," and she used that form which means for just a short journey and for a short time. How real Heaven was to her, and what a testimony hers has been to

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"All God's Chilluns Got Wings"

By MRS. JOHN McKELVIE

LISTEN—that is what the women of the Mt. Lebanon United Presbyterian Women's Missionary Society did on October 10th. There were over one hundred women who were lifted spiritually on wings of songs and story, woven into uplifting and informing tales by outstanding Negroes of the City of Pittsburgh.

Why this type of Program? For years we have talked about our friends mostly in terms of our Southern Negroes miles away, while right at our front doorstep were people of this race who were achieving wonderful things by overcoming almost insurmountable difficulties.

The Program Committee of the Society in arranging the programs for the year under the theme, "Wings," decided to title this particular program "All God's Chilluns Got Wings" (Negroes) and we regard it as the outstanding one of the year. Immediately, we interviewed Honorable Homer S. Brown, representative at Harisburg, who promised to come, if professional engagements should not arise to prevent. Through the courtesy of Miss Irene Boosier, General Secretary of the Centre Y.W.C.A., information concerning many Negroes was given us. Miss Boosier patiently and willingly attempted to answer all our inquiries about talent.

Mrs. Abraham Lincoln who is in charge of the Harriet Tubman Terrace House — a convalescent home for Negro women—is well known to many of our women. Since we wanted to make this meeting one of unusual interest in the hope that it would increase our inter-racial consciousness, we also made it a practical one by showing a spirit of service and appreciation in the bringing of gifts for the Harriet Tubman Terrace House, such as towels, soap, wash cloths, curtains, draperies, first aid supplies and money.

Perhaps I should go back now to the plans for the day. The program committee decided to ask the participants to give the whole program, including the devotions, and arranged to have the program given before the business sessions. There was a luncheon at noon for all the women of the church, so no tea was planned for the afternoon. Two cars were driven to the Centre Y. W.C.A. where the speakers were met and brought to the church. Corsages of various colored roses were presented to the women and each was given her choice as to the color of roses she thought best suited the outfit she was wearing. It was very interesting to see how well they chose.

Upon arriving at the church, where we were to meet Honorable Homer S. Brown, we met instead Mr. Moss, who is Director of the Urban League of Pittsburgh. He had come as a substitute for Mr. Brown, whose work in Court prevented his appearance.

Promptly and on time, the program was presented by Mrs. James S. Huey who introduced Mrs. Frankie Maynard, soloist, accom-

panied by Mr. Wahl. She sang two Negro spirituals; Mrs. Abraham Lincoln read the 13th Chapter of 1st Corinthians and Mrs. W. S. Fitts offered prayer. Mr. Moss told in a most appealing way of the conditions of the Negroes in Pittsburgh, of whom there are over 53,000; the obstacles to be overcome, especially in industry; the opportunities afforded them; the ambitions and aspirations they have and the hope of a better understanding for them as citizens of America.

Following his talk, Mrs. Fitts, a returned missionary from Africa, told of her work. The love of Jesus shone in her face and she fascinated her audience with her spiritual message.

Mrs. Lincoln told of the work in her inimitable way and of the needs of the Tubman House. Several articles that she requested were brought to the church immediately after the meeting, and were taken along with the other gifts. These were so deeply appreciated that tears filled the eyes of Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Smith at the House.

Still later some of the women of the church, added more gifts. Some used curtains and draperies almost like new were sent to the Home; one woman who had just received a surprise gift of a set of dishes sent the set which had been in her home for a time. Some shared their canned fruits and others sent apples from their orchards.

Last but by no means least another sent a load of coal.

Surely this was a beautiful little journey in race friendship.

Mrs. Williams, Girl Reserve Secretary of the Centre Y.W.C.A., told of the accomplishments among girls. Her personality is one that appeals to every one and would work wonders with girls.

Mr. Moss was given a few minutes for questions and, of course, he was asked to tell about "Hill City." He said that under the leadership of Mr. Howard McKinney of the Friendly Service Society, "Hill City" was organized last Fall. It is an organization of about one thousand boys and girls, mostly under twenty-one, who hold their own courts, try their own cases and elect all their own officers. When punishment is meted out it is in the form of service. So far it has lowered the crime rate in the Hill District, and great things are expected in the coming months. This work is being assisted by voluntary contributions and by the sale of happiness bonds. Mr. Moss is well-informed and an able speaker. In fact all the speakers and singers are college graduates and they are exceptionally well equipped for their individual work.

With a word of prayer, the meeting came to a close—all too soon for the audience. From remarks heard and overheard, it was considered one of the finest we have had. One woman said "This type of meeting is what I think of as real home missions."

Good News from Far Countries

The Sudan

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CHRISTMAS AT NASIR

By THE REVEREND WILLIAM DONAGHY*

Unlike the Christmas season at home here the sun is always trying to make each day a little hotter than the day before so we can always be sure of a dry Christmas and can plan accordingly.

The Thursday before was a busy one at the girls' school, for a playlet was to be given. There had been no rehearsals, for African children are born actors, and there was no need to go over anything before. The play was just the simple story of the birth of our Lord. The procuring of costumes was quite a problem, but finally everything was ready. All the shepherds had burlap bags over their heads; the little angels had sheets over heads tied with blue ribbon; Elizabeth and the Virgin Mother each had a house dress on, which made them look very modern and quite chic; the three wise men were dressed in much the same way—one was a Nuer, one a Chinese (although she or he appeared as though Siam were her native land), and the third was an Indian. These were all girls. The two men teachers took the parts of the Angel Gabriel, Zacharias, and Herod. These are young men each over 6 ft. 3, and it was difficult to find anything large enough to cover their ample frames. Gabriel was resplendent in a shining white sheet, with a towel draped coyly over his head. Zacharias was every inch a priest. He was very High Church swinging his incense pot to the manner born. (It was a much battered aluminum pan, innocent of handle, but held by three chains and filled with fragrant herbs). A quick change made him into Herod.

Poor Gabriel, despite his size was very shy and had to read his line with his back to the audience. I've never heard angels speak but I hope they make themselves more audible than this one did. It was all very funny, and yet at the same time there was something permanently beautiful to hear him announce to Mary that she was about to become a Mother. Could we have such a notice given on an American stage to a young girl without the audience suppressing giggles? I think not. We think many of their customs are vile and disgusting, but no doubt if they should come to our enlightened land they might find many things in our most cultured homes at which to write home in terms of disgust. Here they live close to nature and natural things are not considered vulgar.

This was the first time anything like this had ever been attempted here, and everybody said it was a grand success. There was some talk of it being given before the whole school, and several of the teachers wanted it given, but it did not seem advisable. Before a group of boys the girls would have been absolutely dumb. By themselves they were natural and unaffected.

It was a beginning, and yet even this may bear much fruit. "Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee." They had memorized the passages in their Bible hour. Acting it all out made it take a firmer hold of their hearts and minds. "The Spirit bloweth where it listeth." We can not measure how much good even a little play may give but the seed has been sown.

*The Reverend William Donaghy, a minister of the Episcopal Church, is a nephew of Miss Blanche Soule. He spent a year in Nasir, rendering valuable service in the school.

CHRISTMAS DAY AT DOLEIB HILL, THE SUDAN

No. 3—The folks all went to a Christian service Christmas morning. Here they are coming out of the little thatched roof church. No. 2—There were guests from neighboring villages. No. 4—The late afternoon was spent in sports and games which delight the Shulla youth. No. 1—Here are the winners of the games. No. 5—Miss Williamson and some of the school boys took a walk along "Palm Avenue."

India

MRS. R. R. STEWART, Editor, Rawalpindi, India

THE MOST WONDERFUL HAPPENINGS

By JESSIE KNEFF HEINRICH
Skeikhupura, India

We have a very good Bible Woman, whose husband was for many years a self-support pastor in a village congregation. Her knowledge of the very difficult problems the self-support pastor has to deal with and very real sympathy, has been a great help. Mrs. Khushal Chand is a woman of about sixty, but has unusual energy for a woman of her age, and can walk three or four miles, on arrival, sit down in the midst of a group of village women and give a wonderful message, of how God yearns for his people and his abiding presence with them. In the villages, within a twenty mile radius of Sheikhupura, we do not go out in tents, but go out in the motor each day. But Mrs. Chand stays in the homes of the village people over night and we pick her up on the way to the next village, the next day. This week in Gopi Rai a woman said, "Yes, we want the Bible Women to stay and teach us tonight and tomorrow morning, but we have no milk or tea." "Never mind," quickly replied Mrs. Khushal Chand, "you eat dry bread, so can I, as I have done many, many times." It means much to have a woman of her faith and love, in such intimate association with the village women. They unburden their hearts to her and having a family of five children herself, still struggling to educate the two youngest ones, she counsels with the village women, out of a faith that has been tried and found sufficient.

THE ANGEL SONG

One of the most encouraging experiences of last winter was the Christmas Drama, put on by the village school in Ugand, the Thursday evening before Christmas. It was held outside, and the low mud houses all were illuminated with little mustard oil, mud lamps. The two teachers Alim Bibi and Grace Nand Lal had worked for two months in preparing the children. The large courtyard was crowded with Sikhs and Mohammedan villagers as well as the Christians. The angel chorus of "Peace, good will, to all men," from a nearby

The Angel Chorus sang "Peace on earth, good will to men" from a near-by roof. "The most wonderful thing that ever happened in the village."

roof, was most impressive. At the close of the play, the Sikh Lambardar (Headman) of the village, came to my husband and myself and said, "This is the most wonderful thing that has ever happened in this village." We went to our tents that night rejoicing, that not only the Christians, but the non-Christians, had that night been impressed, with the fact, of God's love for all the world — that he had sent his own Son, into the world, that all who believed, might have eternal life.

THE IDOL FALLS

In three of the villages of our District, the "Bala Shah" shrines, used by the outcastes before they became Christians, have remained. The Christians in Kharianwala have been very much ashamed of the one right in front of their houses, but one old man had declared it could not be abolished during his life time—as it would bring bad luck to his family. He refused even to sit in our Church services, held under the tree, right in front of his house, but went right on, chopping fodder for his buffalo. Padre Munir Mathias was with us that day and he preached a splendid sermon on, "The Majesty of God." After the service, the daughterinlaw, of old Kehra said to me, "Lets ask him, to let some one else, from outside the village, demolish the Bala Shah Shrine. The evangelist of the circle, Bela Singh, asked the old man, and in a voice shaking with emotion he said, "Yes, you people from outside the village, can tear it down." An axe was soon found and down came the Heathen Shrine, which had been illuminated every night with mustard oil lamps, for over a hundred years. The joy of the good people, of that village, was a marvelous thing to behold. The workers with us said, "God does hear and answer prayer, let us go at once to Jaita and tell how this Bala Shah has been destroyed, and may be, they will have courage to urge the stubborn men who have resisted, to let them tear down the Jaita Bala Shah. We soon covered the five miles. The people at Jaita, were expecting us for a service, so were all gathered together. A delegation went to the two old men and as we saw them returning, with their faces covered with smiles, we were not surprised, to see them go at once, to the Bala Shah with an axe. The men and boys all wanted a part in knocking it down, Padre Munir Mathias then preached on "Answered Prayer." It was a triumphant service. We are now praying that the remaining one, in Babbar may also be destroyed.

Over 200 villages have been visited and over five hundred gospel portions have been given out.

"THE FAIR ONE'S MESSAGE IS LOST"

When the Fair One comes to us in the garb of man,
And lies like a beggar in the Manger;
The Heavens and Nature Sing,
Wise men and Shepherds pay homage to the Child-God;
But Alas! Others just feast and sport and make merry,
And the Fair One's Message is Lost.

Bir Badahur, Former Professor in Gordon Mission College, Rawalpindi, India.

Ethiopia

MISS RUTH M. NICHOL, Editor, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

"HERE COMES THE BRIDE"

By RUTH NICHOL,
Formerly of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

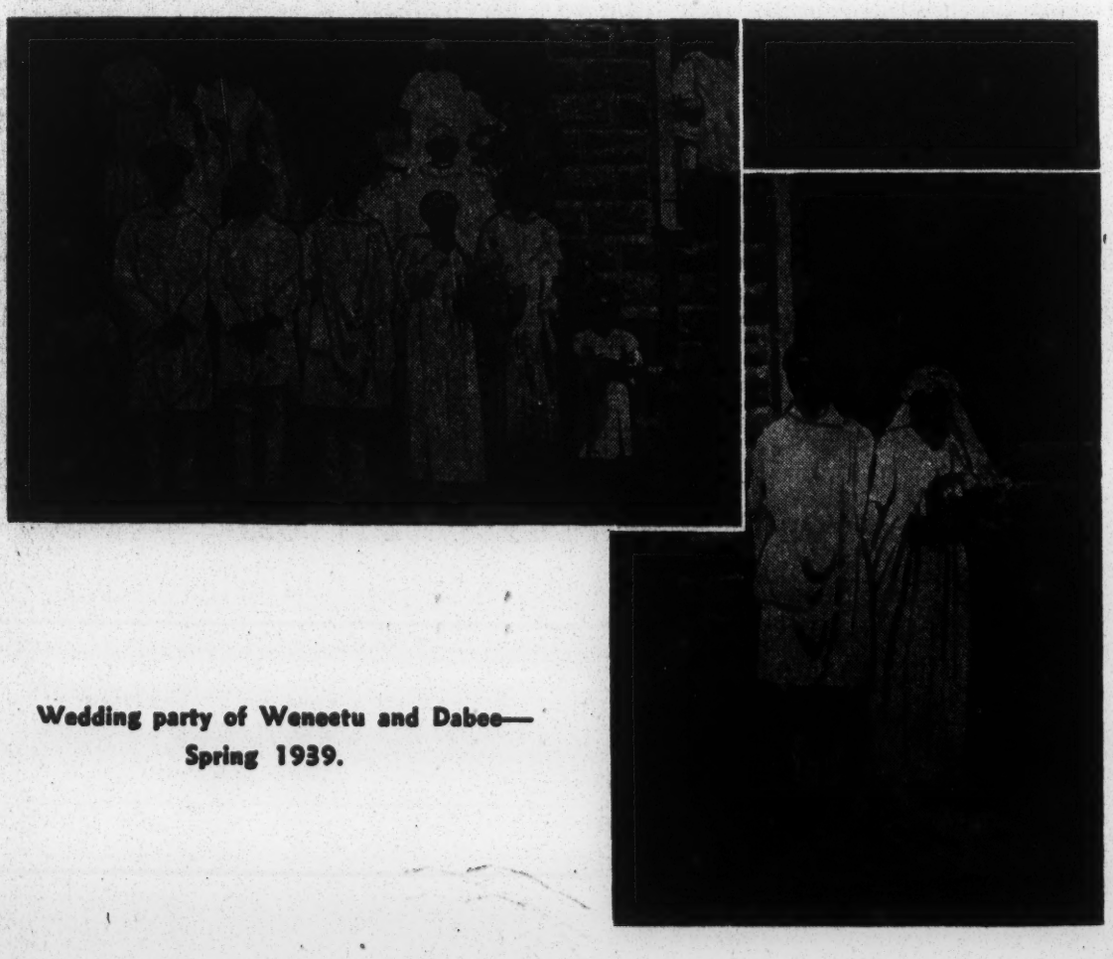
From time to time in the past five and a half years, girls from the school in Addis Ababa have been married. All of these, without exception, have been married according to Ethiopian custom. Thus there was no little stir when preparations were being made for a wedding to be held in our own evangelical church.

The parents of the girl have long been in contact with evangelical missions. The mother was brought up in the Church Missionary Society (British) school in Cairo and then later went with this same society to Khartum. It was in Khartum that Dr. J. Kelly Giffen of our mission helped arrange the marriage of the couple. In the course of time the young people with their firstborn son made their way to Ethiopia, which really was their native land. They settled in Sayo and there the bride of our story was born.

Wadei started her education in Sayo and when her family moved to Addis Ababa she continued in our school there. Thus she has grown up in mission schools and has become a rather accomplished young lady.

The history of the groom is less familiar to us. It was with real joy, however, that we saw him, as well as his bride-to-be, stand up on the Good Friday before the wedding amid a group who entered the fellowship of the newly founded church in Addis Ababa.

At one time the parents of the bride were in fairly good financial



Wedding party of Weneetu and Dabee—Spring 1939.

circumstances. During recent years, they have had a very difficult time. Thus it was that all arrangements, usually cared for by the bride's family, fell upon the school teacher. The other ladies of the mission family helped share the responsibilities, however, so plans worked out very well.

For weeks preceding the wedding much time was spent in the supervision of the girl's sewing. In accordance with Ethiopian custom, the groom provided the material for the wedding dress. It was lovely soft, white satin and was made up very prettily with a full gathered skirt, such as is native custom. The bodice on the other hand was adorned with a little gaiety suggested by a dress seen in a Montgomery Ward catalogue! The bride wore a veil with a little coronet of orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of white roses in her hand. What a contrast she made to the usual Ethiopian bride who must keep her face hidden and smothered under layers of cheesecloth for hours.

The bridesmaid was another school girl. She wore deep pink, and carried pink roses. The groom wore white native clothes and looked very trim indeed. The two young men who attended the groom as "brothers" also wore white native suits and completed a very fine looking party.

Such a shy bashful bride one never did see! We thought she would never get up the church aisle to the altar, which was beautifully decorated with flowers and greenery. Somehow she managed it, though through the ceremony she stood stooped over in utter nervousness and shyness.

After the ceremony was over and the little flower girls had sweetly strewn a pathway to the door of the chapel, there was much picture-taking on the part of the missionary group. Then the bridal party, followed by a large company of friends singing wedding hymns, made its way to the school, which was brightly decorated with flowers, greens and pink and white tissue paper. The bridal party, members of the family and intimate friends were seated in one room, men and boys in another, and women and girls in a third. Tea and cakes were served and then the young man took his bride to their new home. This modern bride was taken in an automobile, whereas Ethiopian brides have for decades been carried away on mules. Nevertheless the good old fashioned joy cry was given as the bride left the school which had been her second home.

In the new house, feasting in the native style continued through the evening and late into the night. During the following days, festivities continued and friends came to call and express good wishes and blessings upon the newlyweds and their home.

Testing was due to come early to this happily wedded couple, for just about a week after they were settled, they were forced out of their home. This was because of an official order given that the section be cleared and made ready for the erection of a large new building. They have found themselves in a very perplexing situation.

May this new Christian home be a blessing to others in the land of Ethiopia where there is such need for stable Christian homes and true stalwart family life.

Egypt

MRS. EWING M. BAILEY, Editor, Minia, Egypt

"SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS"

By MRS. W. H. REED, Minia, Egypt

Many of the young women in the Second Evangelical Church, Minia, have learned to "serve the Lord with gladness." Marie was one of the first to do volunteer work and she is one of the best. She is president of the Girls' Club, an active worker in the Young Women's Sabbath School Class, treasurer for the women and young women who have monthly pledges to the church and ever ready with a smile on her face to visit the missionary societies in the surrounding towns one or two times a week. On her summer vacation she was not idle but took charge of a Sabbath School class. Her enthusiasm helps other girls to start witnessing. Last fall Marie said to me, "Matilda and Liza are ready to go with you next week." Not long after that she told me, "Saneeya and Nargus want the topic for next month's missionary meeting so that they can prepare talks and visit some of the villages.

Amelia is a very bashful young woman but she longed to serve. When a nearby village asked for a class in sewing, Amelia was very pleased. Faithfully two and often three times a month she and one helper conducted the class, giving instruction in cutting, sewing, knitting and crocheting.

Not many of the women can leave the work in their homes and go with us to the villages, but when we want to visit two villages in one trip we like to have an older woman to be with the younger volunteer. Mother of Joseph worked as a Bible woman before her marriage and knows fully the joy of telling the good news. Her home duties are light now and she not only went with us when asked but told me that she would be glad to go whenever we wanted her. She always has a word of encouragement for our new volunteers, and is ready with a message at the meetings. She is known and loved in many of the villages we visit.

Victoria came to Minia to visit her brother. She joined our Girls' Club and the Sabbath School Class. Before long she was going with us to the villages, giving short talks, and took her turn at teaching the Sabbath School lesson. When it came time to return home, she knew she would miss the fellowship and service. She talked plans over with me. Her home church is small but she decided she would try to organize a young women's Sabbath School Class, after the pattern of the Minia class. With the book of Sabbath School lesson helps she thought she could get the young women to take turns at teaching the class. The last word from her was that their class had eight members.

I cannot take time to tell you about all our happy volunteer workers. It is a joy to work with them. In this new year may many others learn to "serve the Lord with gladness."

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BETTER HOMES

All missionary conferences held in recent months have echoed, "Madras said .....": "Swarthmore said .....:". but now we shall be hearing "Detroit said .....:"

There gathered in Detroit, Michigan, November 9th and 10th, about seventy-five specially chosen and experienced leaders to discuss "Home and Family Education" among the Younger Churches. This conference was under the direction of Mr. John H. Reisner, Executive Secretary of the Agricultural Missions Foundation and Rural Co-operating Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference.

The Merrill-Palmer School which has pioneered in this subject acted as hostess to this large "house party" and through its faculty gave an Interpretation and Demonstration of the program and policies of this unique institution. Dr. Edna Noble White the Director was general chairman of the meetings.

The guests were members of mission boards in the United States and Canada; missionaries from more than a dozen fields; students from China, India and the Philippines; Women Deans of Oregon State College; Manhattan, Kansas State Agricultural College; Ames, Iowa, State Agricultural College and Cornell, New York, University.

In rapid succession speakers set forth the "Problems of Creating Christian Homes"—As seen by Nationals; As seen by missionaries. Later the missionaries discussed Policies of boards and the Programs already in operation. The Deans of the colleges outlined the special courses which are offered to furloughed missionaries and to students who come to this country for special work in Home Economics.

There is evident necessity of a study by each board of its peculiar problems against varied backgrounds. Mohammedanism with its religious sanction of polygamy and its fast recurring divorces robs childhood of any conception of a home. An African community where the large family type exists, where a child calls all adults "father" and "mother" and where each one takes a hand in discipline (a best method of bringing up a first class savage) gives childhood small chance for happiness; the system where the men and women of the family are quite separated in their daily lives is an unnatural environment for a child. How can the little groups of Christians in such communities and against such backgrounds be encouraged to create new homes that will demonstrate the power of Christ in their lives. Detroit said: "The older churches have a responsibility in helping parents over the world to build up true Christian homes."

Some of the experiments already tried are suggested to other boards:

1. Advisory Service.—The sending of specialists to help in educational institutions. Dean Justin of Manhattan, Kansas took her Sabbatical year in China, where she gave freely of her rich experiences to schools there. The faculty and students of Oregon State College provide a scholarship for foreign students.

2. Sending trained and qualified Home Economic teachers as missionaries to the schools abroad.

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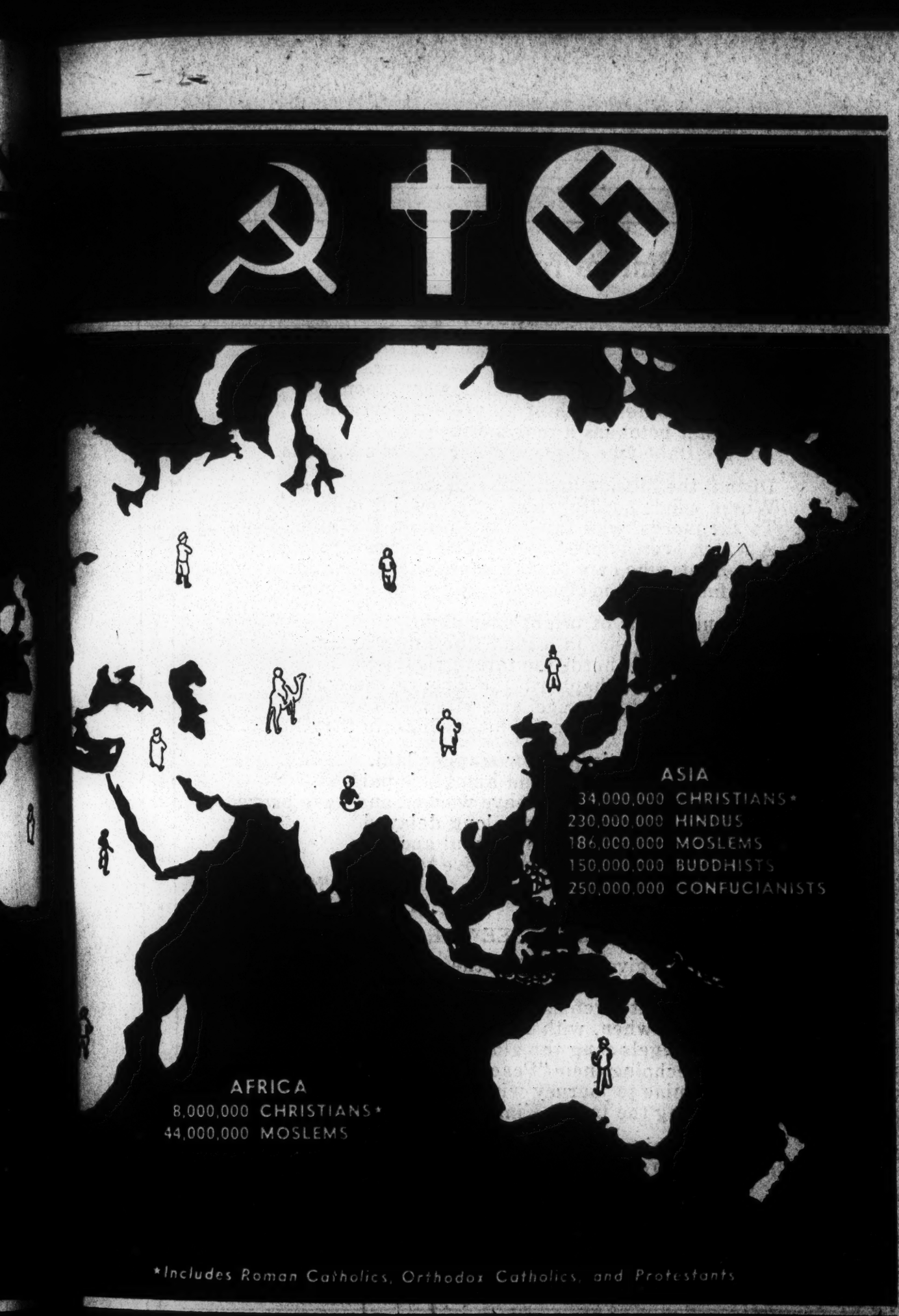
THE WORLD IS CHOOSIN



*Includes Roman Catholics, Orthodox Catholics, and Protestants

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Poems for Christmas

CHRISTMAS

Precious the treasures the three Magi bring
To lay at the feet of the new born King.
Incense as sweet as the wild flowers bloom
Myrrh like the breath of an eastern perfume,
Gold that betokens a real sacrifice
For the Babe who descended from God's Paradise.

Distant the hillside and starry the sky
Where winds hardly whisper their faint lullaby
To shepherds, who faithfully through the night keep
A watch over helpless and slumbering sheep.
Shepherds who care for the lambs that are weak
Will find the Good Shepherd, so tender and meek.

Heavenly music of bright cherubim
Falls on their ears in a glad Christmas hymn.
Telling the shepherds the tale of the birth
Of a wonderful shepherd, the King of the earth.
So shepherds do homage, and wise men bow low
At the feet of the infant whose Kingship they know.

To Jesus the Savior, in low manger laid,
The homage of mighty and humble is paid.
The homage of men who have worked and have prayed—
To them revelation so long, long delayed
Is given because they are faithful and true
And follow the Master as we love to do.

Alif Stephens.

NOT GIVEN TO SEE THE STAR

It was not given me to see the star
  Whose splendor flooded old Judea's plains;
  Nor was it given me to hear the strains
Of music, when, with Heaven's door ajar,
Bright angels sang the glorious words that are
  Still echoing their "Peace, goodwill" refrains;
  Not mine to journey with the Magi's trains
And bring the Infant King gifts from afar.

But it is mine, today, amid the throng,
  To keep a Christmas candle burning bright
  To symbolize the star that told His birth;
Mine to repeat the angel's deathless song;
  Mine, mine to give a gift, however slight,
  In memory of God's great gift to earth!

—*B. Y. Williams* in *New York Times.*

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

I question if Christmas can ever be "merry"
  Except to the heart of an innocent child.
For when time has taught us the meaning of sorrow
  And sobered the spirits that once were so wild,
When all the green graves that lie scattered behind us
  Like milestones are marking the length of the way,
And echoes of voices that no more shall greet us
  Have saddened the chimes of the bright Christmas day,—
We may not be merry, the long years forbid it,
  The years that have brought us such manifold smarts;
But we may be happy, if only we carry
  The Spirit of Christmas deep down in our hearts.

Threefold is the Spirit, thus blending together
  The faith of the shepherds who came to the King,
And, knowing naught else but the angel's glad message,
  Had only their faith to His cradle to bring;
The hope of the Wise Men that rose like the Day-star
  To lighten the centuries' midnight of wrong,
And the love of the Child in the manger low-lying,
  So tender and patient, so sweet and so strong.
Hence I shall not wish you the old "merry Christmas,"
  Since that is of shadowless childhood a part,
But one that is holy and happy and peaceful,
  The Spirit of Christmas deep down in your heart.

Annie Flint Johnson.

"BETHLEHEM STAR"

A pillar of cloud by day—
  And pillar of fire by night,
From Egypt to Sinai they say
  It led the Israelites right.

The Lord spoke to them in fire
  From thunder, lightning and cloud,
He gave them laws—and when tired—
  Gave them water from rock by a rod.

When God sent his son to earth
  The Wise Men saw a bright star
To lead them, and prove His birth,
  They saw it in East from afar.

That Light still shines for us—
  A Light of Life and Truth,
By keeping our thoughts and eyes—
  On the "Bethlehem Star" of Truth.

Nina S. Brittain.

Thank Offering Department

MRS. O. H. MILLIGAN, Thank Offering Secretary
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OUR SAVIOUR CHRIST WAS BORN

Our Saviour Christ was born
That we might have the rose without the thorn.
All through his desert life
He felt the thorns of human sin and strife.
His blessed feet were bare
To every hurting brier; He did not spare
One bleeding footstep on the way
He came to trace for us, until the day
The cruel crown was pressed upon the brow,
That smiles upon us from His glory now.

And so He won for us
Sweet, thornless, everlasting flowers thus!
He bids our desert way
Rejoice and blossom as the rose today.
There is no hidden thorn
In His good gifts of grace; He would adorn
The lives that now are His alone,
With brightness and with beauty all His own.
Then praise the Lord who came on Christmas Day
To give the rose and take the thorn away.

—*Frances Ridley Havergal.*

THE GIFT OF LOVE

We are soon to celebrate the birthday of Jesus Christ. He came to the earth as a little child. No doubt He was busy during the childhood days and toiled at the daily task in His early manhood, all the time preparing for the life work He must accomplish. He had difficulties and discouragements. He was tempted in all points like as we are, yet He did not yield. It is the birthday of this matchless Saviour we shall soon celebrate. He is God's gift of love to us. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have eternal life." As we prepare for this birthday do we think of the Gift we have received, or are we following the crowd that commercializes the day?

Christmas and giving are linked together. Each year it comes to tell the story again of God's great gift in Jesus Christ. It is a time of gladness because the day brings tidings of great joy to all who know Jesus Christ as their Saviour and love Him. Because we are happy in this Gift of love, we want to share it with those around us. We read of the Wise Men coming to see the Christ Child and "they presented to Him gifts." We think of the millions who will not celebrate Christmas this year because they know nothing of God's gift of love to the world. They live in the

midst of superstition and ignorance. We remember also the multitudes who are living in hunger or fear, or both, at this Christmas season. Let us remember that God's gift of Love was for the salvation of the whole world. It was not a gift for one year, or for one century. This gift of God to the world was for all time.

"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift."

THE THANK OFFERING

Our 1939 Thank Offering Year began January first and will close December thirty-first. Each day we have received of His bounty and have praised Him for His loving kindness and tender mercies.

These offerings accumulated during the year have been presented in the annual Ingathering and have been sent to the Presbyterial Treasurer. As soon as the money is sent, the Thank Offering secretary of each society should fill out the annual report blank and mail it at once to the Thank Offering Secretary of the Presbyterial. She in turn compiles the reports of all societies and sends her report to the General Thank Offering Secretary.

If the societies are prompt in making reports it will be possible for all fifty-three Presbyterials to be on the Thank Offering Roll this year. Last year seven Presbyterials lost their place on the Honor Roll by one or more societies failing to report that they had a Thank Offering. One of these had had a place on the Honor Roll for seven years and lost it by one society failing to report.

If the Thank Offering secretary of your society has not yet sent the report, ask her to do so at once. May our goal be

Every Society presenting a Thank Offering and sending in a report on time.

SENIOR LIFE MEMBERSHIPS
$25.00 Each

October 1, 1939 to November 1, 1939

20. Mrs. Margaret Lehnes, Lyndhurst, N. J. By Mrs. Alice Aldridge.
21. Mrs. Ida Morton, Lyndhurst, N. J. By Mrs. Alice Aldridge.
22. Mrs. Alice Aldridge, Lyndhurst, N. J. By Jennie Vander Spek.
23. Mrs. J. Lippincott, Lyndhurst, N. J. By Mrs. Joseph Aldridge.
24. Mrs. H. B. Bastress, Grove City, Pa., By Alice Dodds Missionary Society.
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26. Mrs. Hugh Pattison, Cambridge, Ohio. By Mrs. C. F. Gross.
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31. Mrs. Thomas J. Steenson, Quincy, Mass. By W. M. S.
32. Mrs. Elva E. Fitzgerald, Livermore, Pa. By Nettie I. Fitzgerald.
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Young Women's Department
including
Girls' Circles

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ASKINGS of Societies—Average of one dollar per member for those 20 years and over.
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YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL WORK

Permanent object—Support of G. B. S., Pasrur, India.
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NEW YOUNG WOMEN'S SOCIETIES OR CIRCLES

We are happy to present to you a few new organizations. They are — Monmouth Presbyterial, Biggsville Winnie Hockman Society—(membership not given) — Beaver Valley Presbyterial—(1) 3rd New Castle J-O-Y Band (T)—30 members. Beaver Valley Presbyterial —(2) 3rd New Castle Brown Guild (T)—25 members. College Springs Presbyterial—St. Joseph Brookdale Society — 17 members. San Francisco Presbyterial—Fresno "Standard Bearers" (T)—9 members.

Perhaps by another month the good work of some more presbyterials may be recorded here. Our best wishes to these new societies. May they never grow weary in well doing! And a cheery salute to all prospects "just around the corner." It might not be amiss to say "well done" to those societies that have been carrying on faithfully for several months or years: Too often the faithful ones are seemingly overlooked in the effort to encourage those just starting out on the missionary journey, but the standbys are always appreciated, even if they may think they are forgotten!

A SPECIAL OBLIGATION

Not a penny was turned in during September to the general treasury for the YW Special fund. Probably society members had not recovered from the long vacation,—individual finances had not been recouped after that seashore experience, or the long automobile trip, or some other expense. It is to be hoped that ere this every society will have turned in at least some of its "special" average amount. The YW Special needs support throughout the year. Our workers wait for their checks monthly as do other workers.

Let us take one month of the year and give the figures for a period of ten or so years. The amounts presented represent collections for the first six months of each year. We shall use October as the example.

1929—$579.25	1935—$273.00
1930— 453.60	1936— 319.00
1931— 299.30	1937— 275.35
1932— 286.00	1938— 247.00
1933— 246.00	1939— 127.00
1934— 256.00	

When your society looks over these figures, will you scan your own figures to see how much your

society—one of the more than six hundred societies—has contributed towards this particular object so far this year.

Will you also notice this October 1st report—the smallest amount on hand after six months for a good many years! By the end of March—six months from this last report—eight thousand dollars should have passed from societies into the hands of the general treasurer for YW Special fund use: This is our goal.

Young Women's secretary in each presbyterial, will you look into the record of your societies and know of their status in this matter. Just a word to presidents and sponsors—How about your particular groups? Are they aware of their obligations? Are they endeavoring to meet them?

MAKING THE BEST OR THE MOST OF THE SITUATION

There are few but come up against a "stone wall" sometime in life,—even in childhood, but surely later. It is well for childhood that its mind may be diverted from its trials. It is more serious when young people are being considered. When they are just "fitted for life" by taking an education or by learning a trade, it is most discouraging when no opening is found. Hundreds and hundreds of young people are adrift today, ambition on the wane, ideals lowered, spirit broken, because their dreams have not been realized. They have ceased to try, forgotten about doing their best. But would you censure them? Constant failure is deadening.

But possibly other hundreds that had rather cold receptions when seeking to become established in their vocations, pushed on persistently and overcame the obstacles. They were not willing to just accept the situation and refuse to go ahead, but determined to make the most out of their opportunities. These are to be congratulated.

A young woman suffered a serious accident, one that would cripple her for life and compel her to spend a great part of her time on her bed or in her chair. When she heard her "life sentence" from her physician, she wrote to a friend that she would just make the *best* of her misfortune — endure it! Then she made a discovery, that she was very handy with the needle. She began to fashion little garments for little orphans. "Now," she said, "I am planning on making the *most* of my misfortune."

It does not seem to make much difference where life leads us, not all will be easy. This holds in the field of religion as in secular undertakings. Success does not come with mere wishing or hoping, but rather by making the most of the opportunity.

There are missionary societies that have ceased to feel proud of their organizations. Instead of endeavoring to put new life into the work, they consider giving up entirely. They have the requisites to continue — people, a place to meet, a purpose for the meeting, time to serve, a worthy cause to sponsor, but only interested and prompt action may change a bad situation into something encouraging and save a worthy group of young women to the missionary cause. Even though the membership may not be large, this can be fortified and enlarged by every member making the *most* of her opportunities as a missionary-minded person. Every one wants to be of account to some one as day follows day, and the years continue to pile one on the other. May we try to make the most of that intrusted to our care.

"No power will make us good unless we are willing to look life squarely in the face and 'make good.'"

A CHALLENGE TO THE OFFICE-HOLDER

The following is a bit of free verse penned by a woman who was presenting her annual report to a local welfare association. She was seeking to stimulate in the minds of her hearers the necessity for doing one's best in whatever office she was called to fill. This woman really put a lot of *push* into whatever she undertook, and thought that when one was offered an opportunity and accepted it, her motive should be worthy. She also thought that no office should be proffered in a belittling manner, as if it amounted to little. In fact, sometimes the implication was that just anyone could fill it! To her mind, this was not flattering to the work or the worker.

"Oh, it's just a little office
In our Society right here,
If you'll only just accept it,
There is nothing you need fear;
It takes neither work nor worry,
There's hardly anything to do,
We just want your name as chairman,
And the rest will help you through!"

Have you ever thus accepted
A position offered you,
And then with shame have realized
What a cowardly thing to do?
Don't let them fool you that way,
But be sure to answer, "Yes,"
And with willingness of spirit tell them,
"Yes, I'll do my best!"

If the office's worth the having,
It is worth the best in you,
Give it then your best endeavor,
Always *push*, not *drag* it through.
Keep the whole work going forward,
Have the object right in view,
Never mind how small the opening,
You put in it something *new!*
It's not just an *officer* they're wanting,
It's a *person* that they need,
An individual with a purpose,
That won't let it go to *seed.*
Don't be shy or just retiring—
That's another name for 'shirk,'
Magnify and *glorify* that *office!*
All it means is simply *work!*

THIS, THAT and the OTHER

Society Programs

New programs drift in now and again, the earnest work of some committee. The WMS of the 6th Church, N. S., Pittsburgh uses its executive board as its program committee. This method should tie the official section of the society to the monthly program in an unusual way and should give assurance of a complete and a fruitful program.

The June meeting of this society was named "Annual Outing" held at the home of a suburban member. September had one of those delectable and surprising features, a covered dish luncheon. If you have never participated in one, you have a treat awaiting you. The October meeting was designated as the fall rally. The March meeting is to be annual luncheon day.

A few quotations might be appreciated:—

"Kind hearts are the gardens;
Kind thoughts are the roots;
Kind words are the flowers;
Kind deeds are the fruits."

Another:—

"It's *faith* in the thing you're doing,
It's *faith* in all things you plan,
It's *faith* in your heart a-brewing,
That writes *'success'* and *'you can.'* "

—*J. Rajal Zeiss.*

The Florence Jones Society of 1st Church Wilkinsburg is basing its year's study on the Home study text, "City Shadows," a reporter for each evening being assigned to cover the designated chapters. In addition, a discussion is held at each meeting on a special mission subject, such

as the Jewish question, the Negro, the American Indian, the Egyptian, etc. The new year book is clothed in vivid green and makes one think of spring even though fall and early winter are much closer to us.

Another Rally

The Annual Young Women's Rally of Monongahela Presbyterial was held October 6th at the Knoxville Church, about 150 present. Dinner was called at 6 P. M. Mrs. Wm. Sandles, secretary of Young Women of the presbyterial, acted as toastmistress during the dinner.

Home Missions was the main theme of the evening. Mrs. John P. White, Editor of *The Womens Missionary Magazine,* gave a brief talk on the migrants and their manner of life.

At the place of each one at the speakers' table was a place mat. Each mat had a state of the Union sketched upon it, and in a cornucopia the fruit or vegetables picked and packed by migrants. Each guest stood and read her state and its products. This took us the length and breadth of our country.

The roll call revealed that, except for the hostess church, First Wilkinsburg had the largest attendance.

The main address was given by Mr. Orus Rupe, of Wellington, Ky., and now a student in Pittsburgh-Xenia Seminary. He was most interesting and enthusiastic in his account of his experiences of the past summer in the metal mines of southwest Colorado. He and Mr. Pinkerton of Nampa, Idaho, also a student of theology, traveled from one mine to another carrying the message of Christ. This important work is now at a standstill for the lack of workers.

The second part of the program was given over to conferences, four of them, with presbyterial officers at the head of three and the editor of the Magazine of the fourth. Literature, the Thank Offering, Presidents and other officers and the program were the topics discussed.

The books that make up the Reading Course were stressed as well as the current study books. The Magazine is a necessity and more societies are urged to be one hundred per cent in subscriptions.

Society Thank Offering secretaries were urged to magnify their office, to keep the subject before their respective societies. Daily offerings were stressed. According to the annual report, the average gift to the Thank Offering was $2.25.

The subject of parliamentary procedure, minutes, the duties of the president, and other topics were discussed in the officers group. Delegates were reminded that each society is a unit of the W.G.M.S. and should follow as closely as possible the suggested by-laws and constitution of the body. The majority favored nominations from the floor at election time, but if a nominating committee be used, it should be elected, not appointed.

Those in the Program division were told that a missionary program could not compete with the movies, but it can be entertaining. Members were urged to put as much effort into preparing for the missionary society as for a club meeting. It was said by some that one need was to have more prayer. Audible prayer was stressed as well as more reverence. Many suggestions were given as to the use of maps, posters, pictures, plays; true and false tests, the quiz, etc. The result of a program depends upon how much you know, believe and are willing to put into the preparation.

Mrs. Sandles furnished the basis for this write-up, together with Mrs. H. C. Richardson and Miss Irene Halenda, two of the delegates.

Migrant Luncheon Set, 50 cents; Center piece (Map of U. S.); 15 States where Council of Women for Home Missions carries on work for Migrants. A lovely novelty for a program on Migrants. Council of Women for Home Missions, 297 Fourth Ave., New York City.

Girls' Circle Program

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WHAT CHRIST MEANS TO ME

INVITATION written on a white bell tied with silver ribbon:

"Whether you bear witness yourself
Or come just to hear the old story,
You cannot afford to miss the
Testimony Meeting of our Girls' Circle.
(fill in time and place of meeting.)"

This study is based on WOMEN AND THE WAY, (you can secure the book through the Literature Department), articles on the same topics appear in this issue of the Magazine and we suggest you use both of these in your preparation. We have chosen Africa, India and America because our Societies have a definite share in that work. If your group is large enough, it will be well to add other countries to your list of visitors.

SING Bible Songs Hymnal No. 201, "I Will Sing of My Redeemer."

CHAIRMAN:—"How many of you made New Year resolutions? Thus far have you broken any of them? It is said that many people begin each new year with a set of resolutions they really have no intention of keeping; some of them, when questioned, even admit they do not try very hard to live up to their plans. When you are conscious of the need of changing something in your life what do you do? Does the advice of a close companion or friend help influence your decision?"

SING Bible Songs Hymnal No. 205, "Jesus Is All the World to Me."

CHAIRMAN:—"Jesus is our friend indeed! We have but to acknowledge Him and He will never fail us. What has he done for you and for me and for other girls and women the world over?"

READER:

"Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast."

—*J. W. Johnson.*

VISITOR FROM AFRICA, in native costume:—tell of the native beliefs in the early days before Christianity; tell what changes the 'good news' brought; tell what part women now play in the community; tell how the missionary task of fifty and a hundred years ago has changed and the challenge for missions now is to work *with* Africa and not just *for* her.

READER:

"Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high;
Where knowledge is free;
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls;
Where words come out from the depth of truth;
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection;
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit;
Where the mind is led forward by thee into ever widening thought and action—
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake."

—*Tagore.*

VISITOR FROM INDIA, also in costume relate:—the changes Christ has brought in the Indian home; how

Christian education is freeing girls and women; the part women are now taking in the community life; how industrial relations are being improved; how "the future of Indian regeneration must lie through Christ."

READER:

"To be alive in such an age!
With every year a lightning page
Turned in the world's great wonder-book
Whereon the leaning nations look.
When men speak strong for brotherhood,
For peace and universal good;
When miracles are everywhere,
And every inch of common air
Throbs a tremendous prophecy
Of greater marvels yet to be.

Oh, age of strife!
Oh, age of life!
When Progress rides her chariot high
And on the borders of the sky
The signals of the century
Proclaim the things that are to be—
The rise of woman to her place,
The coming of a nobler race.

—*Morgan.*

AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVE:—recall the purpose for which our country came into being; show how the diversity of population has affected our religious life; touch upon the move toward unity in the Protestant denominations today and interest apparent in the 'social gospel'; note that a sense of moral and religious responsibility has been responsible for the so-called women's movements; give an idea of the advances made by women in education, medicine, social science, and religious work. Are we measuring up to the obligations which are ours?

CHAIRMAN:—"These visitors have told us what Christ has done for their kinswomen and we rejoice in their freedom and new responsibilities!"

Have a CIRCLE OF PRAYER for girls and women everywhere, thanking God for the power and strength which Christ brings into changed lives. Thank Him for willing souls who have in the past; and are yet today laboring at home and afar off, that the Gospel shall come to every people and His Will shall be done "on earth as it is in Heaven."

LEADER:—"What does Christ mean to you—a girl in the Girls' Circle of (your church and town)?" At this point encourage the girls to tell what changes Christ has brought about in their lives. (These may be listed on a blackboard if convenient). "Jesus ruling in our lives means new life, new vision, a power that carries us triumphantly to new heights. Shall we tonight as Christian girls, who have heard His call to go and tell others, reconsecrate ourselves anew? Let us bow our heads and each silently repledge herself to His cause." (Have soloist sing softly all verses and then the refrain of Bible Songs Hymnal No. 238, "I Am Thine, O Lord."

N. B.—PRAYER GROUPS AND PRAYER CIRCLES

The new Prayer Group Folders, on which are Scriptures suggested for the monthly study of members are now available. Order from the Literature Department, 904 Publication Building, 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., at 5 cents a dozen or 25 cents a hundred.

Home Missions

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We are happy to report that our Frenchburg Hospital, which has been closed since June the first, is now open and ready for service. Mrs. Martin Hoovermale, was appointed by the Board as Superintendent, and her acceptance has been received. Mrs. Hoovermale, nee Miss Meda Reynolds, R.N., had charge of the hospital for several years, and is quite familiar with the needs and the duties required. Mrs. Hoovermale, her husband and baby will make their home in the hospital. The people of the community, the faculty and the Board, rejoice that the hospital is again opened and under the efficient superintendency of Mrs. Hoovermale.

Rev. Walter B. McFarland reports at the close of his first month in Ezel as follows: "We like Ezel very much. The people make us feel right at home. Beginning November the twelfth we will have a week of special meetings, preceded by Cottage prayer-meetings. It takes time to find roads to the homes of our people, but we have made twenty-four calls and have been well received." In addition to the church work Mr. McFarland teaches Bible in the Junior and Senior High Schools. Mrs. McFarland is active in the different organizations of the women.

Mrs. John Ferguson, missionary in Los Angeles Presbytery, reports that the month of October witnessed increased activity in all the United Presbyterian churches in that Presbytery. She addressed the annual Fall Rally of the Presbyterial, met with three congregational committees to assist with the fall program, addressed four institute meetings, and four Missionary Societies, and also addressed the leaders of the Santa Ana and Long Beach churches, where the program, adopted by the presbytery, is being inaugurated. The Home and Foreign Missionary textbooks were presented to two different groups. In connection with this program 367 calls were made, mostly on families not connected with our church.

Miss Mary Jamieson is now working in the Easton district, Fresno, Cal. A joint canvass of the district, which covers forty-two square miles, is being conducted by the Lutheran and the United Presbyterian congregations. The pastors of the two congregations have outlined the work they wish to have done, and the two missionaries, one from each denomination, go together on the canvass. To date sixty-seven calls have been made in these joint canvass calls, and our missionary has made thirty additional calls. All regular Sabbath and week day services, as well as a union meeting of the five United Presbyterian congregations in that district have been attended by the missionary.

EZEL NOTES

An encouraging number of replies have come to our general letter of the first of September. We have a great need for clothing and each day brings us several boxes. We have had a sale almost every Saturday since school began, and each morning we have a big crowd. At least 450 were here two weeks ago when the sale began at 7 o'clock in the morning. Your gifts of clothing have helped Ezel school and also a great many of her neighbors.

A number of our loyal friends have answered our prayers and the prayers of some of our girls and boys by providing scholarships that have provided books or bus fare for these students who otherwise would not be able to attend.

This year we have a number of different activity groups at work in school. Some are debaters, some,

dramatists or year book publishers, others, athletes, or embryonic scientists or handicraft workers. The last named group has been very much in action. Under the direction of Miss Sara Conrad the students have been making a variety of leather goods: such as belts, suspenders, purses, etc., which they sell for a small profit. This profit is to go toward the purchase of instruments for a school band. (Incidentally, folks, if you have any old band instruments tucked away in the attic or somewhere about the house, that you'd like to give or loan to this cause, we'd be very glad to hear from you!) These handicraft products have already been sold in Pennsylvania, Ohio and other points west and east.

Some members of the faculty have been using their odd hours, in the evenings after school and on Saturday afternoon after the clothing sale, making calls in the homes of our children. Some have made as many as 65 calls in this way. It's a great way to know a pupil better.

Each Sabbath afternoon we enjoy going to our rural Sabbath Schools at Dan and Bach. The folks there give us a neighborly welcome and seem to appreciate the opportunity of studying the Word.

Ezel Church is very happy with our new pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. McFarland. They have found a place in the life of the community already. Mr. McFarland has direct contact with the school through his classes in Junior and Senior Bible.

At this writing we are enjoying a series of cottage prayer-meetings in anticipation of a week of special preaching beginning the 12th of November.

Wm. A. Heagen.

THROUGH OCTOBER WITH THE FIELD SECRETARY

During the beautiful month of October my trek took me through Muskingum presbytery. Among the 28 groups with whom I met were many Marthas who prepared and served many wonderful meals and there were many Marys who brought us Spiritual food in messages and prayer that brought us very close to the Master. One high spot was the Presbyterial at Old Washington on October 19 with Mrs. Henry Evans in the chair. Particularly enjoyable and helpful was the "Letters from missionaries" and "Prayers for missionaries" conducted *differently* — the contents put into an address instead of being read. The newly reorganized Missionary Society acted as hostess and served delicious coffee to go with box lunches.

It was a wonderfully happy month marred only by the knowledge that a dear one was nearing the door of her Eternal home—through great physical suffering she approached the "Valley of the Shadow" but with conscious knowledge that her pilot was there to see her safely through. She was lovely in life and in death she was beautiful and very peaceful. Called when she departed, it was with great regret that a last appointment, at North Salem, had to be cancelled and the ladies of Antrim and Londonderry left, after lunch together, without the "Talk" they were expecting.

It is our privilege and we are enjoined to "Pray without ceasing." "Pray without ceasing" every day AT TEN O'CLOCK A. M. Schools are open *every* day—in Frenchburg and Ezel, among our colored friends in Egypt, in India and in the Sudan. Hospitals, here in the United States and Over there, are still ministering to the sick in body and soul *every* day; the 220 missionaries of the Women's Missionary Society (the W. G. M. S.) are at work *every* day. *Every* day they need our prayer. The Christians of Ethiopia, too, left without their Missionary shepherds, need our prayers *every* day so EVERY DAY LET US BE FAITH-

FUL, to them and to Him whose work it is that has been entrusted to us.

Sallie E. Dickey.

"THAR'S GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS"

Impressions of Frenchburg and Ezel, Kentucky on the occasion of a visit, October 23-26.

The wonders of God's handiwork in arranging the hills and mountains of eastern Kentucky and covering them with a variety of trees, decorated with autumn leaves, radiating all colors of the rainbow, is beyond the power of words to describe.

Most people have seen something of this elsewhere but few have secn the wonders God is working in these schools at Frenchburg and Ezel, Kentucky, under the control of The Woman's General Missionary Society.

In this human soul project, God has a corps of skilled consecrated laborers. They are doing a wonderful piece of constructive work, and they have wonderful material WITH which to work—a noble type of bright-eyed keen-brained youth. Notice W-I-T-H in capitals. That emphasizes the fine cooperation between student body and entire force in control. But *control* is not exactly the correct word, for we saw no more control, than you see in a large piece of machinery, the parts of which operate so smoothly and in such fine cooperation, the control factor is not noticeable.

In addition to the regular text book work in all graded schools and which is here second to few, if any, we make note of the fine interest in music, drawing, wood work, agriculture, home making and house planning. All this gives these people a larger vision of God's love in this great world. It enlarges the soul for greater and better things, and greater appreciation of life.

As we noted the keen interest of these young people, we thought of the words of Loretta to Miss Martha Berry, founder of the great school in Georgia which bears her name, "I wish't you'd of come sooner, I wish't it so."

The graduates from these schools take with them this Christian influence as they go out to make homes, enter business, teach in other schools near and far and to college as they prepare for larger service among their own people.

Among many features we could mention, one stands out in a pronounced way,—namely, the way these two forces of workers, with enthusiasm, thoroughly enjoy their work in the Lord.

We certainly appreciate very much the hearty welcome accorded us and Christian fellowship, while there. We would like to mention names of those devoted workers, but space does not permit, and we might miss one or two.

If this nation had spiritual character building projects like these two, in half of the counties, we could swing this country for Christ.

Say! men and women of talent and means, you invest in bonds, lands, business and in self and you look for returns in gold and pleasure, catch the vision of this golden opportunity.

"Thar's gold in them thar hills."

Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Gray,
Jamestown, Ohio.

Negro Missions

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MILLER'S FERRY MISSION MILLER'S FERRY, ALABAMA

While the county, in some of our northern missions, furnishes school buses for children in the outlying districts, there was no provision made for the southern schools, until Prof. N. D. Williams secured one by voluntary subscription for Miller's Ferry.

Prof. Wilson writes:

"We are now in the midst of another school year with the best opening that we have had for several years.

"Our new steel body bus adds much to the school. It is worth all of the trouble and expense that we went to in order to purchase it, for the benefit that it gives. The children who used to walk five and six miles to school are now very happy to ride each morning. The bus goes as far as Catherine, gets our students, stops at Prairie to drop some of the Prairie school's students and picks up our students from Prairie.

"We are putting on the finishing touches to our new auditorium. The N. Y. A. furnished the labor and some of the material and the sponsor furnished the rest of the material. Now we have a beautiful room 40′ x 60′. Our funds are exhausted and we do not have any seats. We are trusting that some of our good friends in the North will aid us in buying the seats. We certainly will appreciate any amount that anyone wishes to donate us for this cause.

"Some time ago a clinic for removal of tonsils was held at our hospital with two doctors and three graduate nurses in charge. Sixteen Negro children and adults and one white girl had the operation. All of the colored persons were from the government project at Gees Bend. The clinic was 100% success.

"Miss W. A. Turpin, our new superintendent of the hospital is proving a valuable asset. She is well trained along the line of her work and has taken hold like a veteran. Miss Turpin received her training at St. Andrew's Hospital, Tuskegee Institute and has had one year's experience in the Finch Goodrich Hospital, New Orleans, La.

"There has been more sickness than usual in our community this Fall. The unusual high water during the summer caused much fever.

"We are working hard to raise the standard of our school, One of the main factors is to have well prepared teachers. Two of our teachers—Miss Ida Mae Bethea and Professor Ruben Yancy worked on their master's degree at Atlanta University last summer. Professor F. T. McQueen, the vocational teacher attended Tuskegee Institute.

"The government let us have a wagon and two mules and the boys are making good use of them in getting in the crops and hauling wood.

"Mrs. N. J. Bonner is much pleased to have nearly fifty girls under her care in Porter Hall.

"As a whole this has prospects of being our best year from nearly every point of view. The Master has blessed us in so many ways and we only hope and pray that we can continue to make improvements."

THYNE INSTITUTE, CHASE CITY

The weather so far has been fine for school work; a few cases of absence, because the children are needed at home.

My girls have been working diligently on the garments they were making. Dresses take much longer than aprons, but they learn more processes in the construction of a dress. More new dresses have been coming in, but there are still a few,

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Foreign Missions

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MISSIONARIES' BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

Miss Mary Frances Lincoln, R. N.....January 5
Miss Kate Spencer .....January 7
Miss Helen C. Sharp, M.D....January 10
Miss Margaret Murdoch .....January 11
Miss Ruth A. Warnock.....January 14
Miss Grace N. Ranson.....January 16
Miss Ida Whiteside .....January 16
Miss Georgia Wengert .....January 23
Miss Minnehaha Finney.....January 24
Miss Lillian McConnell .....January 28
Miss N. Addaline Brandon...January 28
Miss Frances Turk, R.N.....January 28
Mrs. Mary K. Coventry.....January 30
Miss Evva P. Hartig, R.N.....January 31

EGYPT

We have had the welcome news that the party of missionaries sailing from America on October 14 arrived in Alexandria safely on October 30. They have no doubt taken up their respective duties and are hard at work by this time.

Miss Venna Patterson, upon returning from furlough a little earlier, was given the responsibility of the School for Girls in Minia. In her letter of September 29 she says: "I am quite sure I am going to like Minia. This school is under the direction of the Second Evangelical Church here and the pastor is a very fine Christian and very nice to deal with. There are a number of villages in the district where interesting work is being carried on. I have visited a few places and hope to get out now and then. . . . We had delightful weather the first two weeks I was here but now it is hot and sultry because of the high Nile. However, it can't last forever and Minia is considered one of the best places in Egypt to live."

Miss Elizabeth McKibben, R.N., in a letter written after her arrival in Tanta Hospital tells of her delay in Europe on account of the war and of some of the difficulties she encountered in getting back to Egypt. She was happy to be back at her work once more and was especially pleased to find Mrs. A. W. Pollock established as one of the nurses there. Mrs. Pollock had served in our hospital in Ethiopia for a number of years, where she was a great help to her husband, Dr. Pollock. After his death Mrs. Pollock took some special courses in nursing in the hope of getting back to her beloved Ethiopia. However, she was not permitted to enter that country so with the real missionary spirit she has taken up work in Egypt as a short term nurse.

Dr. Moore, who was in charge of Tanta Hospital, has had a very busy and trying summer. The papers said September there was the hottest in thirty years. Two of the assistants were on vacation for a month each and typhoid was raging in the city. They have been under war clouds for some months and the price of food and supplies of all kinds has been greatly increased and the use of oil and gasoline has been restricted considerably.

The letters have all been censored so that real conditions cannot be told. However, as far as we know, all our missionaries are in good health and carrying on as usual although it has been difficult in some places to get along without the missionaries who have been at home on furlough and whose return has been delayed.

Dr. Adams, writing as Secretary of the Mission on October 10, said: "We are still not without hope that it may seem to the Board advisable that the newly appointed missionaries should come to Egypt. Conditions in Egypt at present are quite normal outside of the raising of prices incident to the war, and unless Italy enters the war there does not seem to be occasion for alarm or concern regarding the safety and comfort of the

missionary community in Egypt. Naturally, if Italy should enter the war the situation would be changed but even under those conditions there does not seem to be reason for undue concern. The Mission in Cairo is acting in conjunction with a committee appointed by the American Legation, on which our Mission is represented, to provide for eventualities. The Girls' College has provided a bomb-proof shelter and is otherwise equipped to become a concentration center for all the Cairo missionaries. In fact, the committee of the Legation is providing that it should be the center of the concentration for all the American community in the event of difficulty or danger. The other stations, I understand, have given thought to the question of what should be done in the event of hostilities. For the most part I think that the stations outside of Cairo and Alexandria would not likely be involved in danger from outside attack. In any event, I think that the families of the missionaries at home can be assured that there is no reason for present alarm or concern."

In view of this report on conditions in Egypt and the earnest desire of Miss Mary M. Stevenson and Miss Mary C. Thompson to go to Egypt at once the Board at its meeting on November 7 gave permission for these other newly appointed missionaries to sail. Arrangements were then made for them to take passage to Alexandria by the S. S. Exochorda on November 25.

Our sympathy goes out to Miss Alice Grimes in this time of her sorrow. Shortly after she sailed from America her mother passed away. We feel deeply too for Miss Elizabeth White in the sudden death of her father.

The missionaries at home on furlough are having a busy time making Thank Offering addresses and doing deputational work. They report great interest among the Church people in the work of missions abroad.

THE SUDAN

War and the rumors of war had called forth much anxiety in The Sudan as well as in many other parts of the world and according to Government orders it was necessary to build trenches about our school in Khartum North. We have had no details of the work that has been done but this has been a general order, we understand.

The work is being carried on as usual, however, in our various stations although we have not received any recent reports. Miss Ellen Smith is studying language in Cairo preparatory to taking up her work in Khartum North.

Our newly appointed missionary—Miss Mary V. Ewing, R.N., has been given permission to go to The Sudan in company with the Foreign Board missionaries—Rev. and Mrs. Glen Fleming. These three recruits expect to leave America some time in December. Miss Ewing is anxious to get to her work there and we are sure that the missionaries are eager to have her come.

ETHIOPIA

Last month we reported that the Italian authorities had ordered all our missionaries to leave Addis Ababa within ten days. Later this order was changed and Mr. Henry and his family and Miss Ruth Beatty, R.N., were permitted to remain until the financial settlement could be arranged. They have been living in tents on a property which had been given to Mr. Henry and we are sure that they are doing their best to help the people there in so far as they are able. We also wrote of the departure of Mrs. Cremer and children and Mrs. Nystrom on August 27 enroute to America via the Pacific Ocean; that they had been unable to secure passage home from Bombay and so decided to visit for a time with Dr. Bergsma and his family in Taxila, India. Later when Dr. Cremer and Mr. Nystrom were compelled to leave

Addis Ababa they proceeded to India to join their families. A cable message has come that a young son was born to Mrs. Nystrom on October 29 and stated that the baby and mother were doing well. Mrs. Nystrom's baby girl, Marjorie Ruth, was born in our hospital in Assiut during the time of the Ethiopian war. No doubt these missionaries will soon be on their way to America and we shall be glad to greet them.

When the George Memorial Hospital was expropriated by the Italians the equipment was not considered but since then much of the equipment has been bought by the Italian authorities at a very low figure; but it seemed better to get a small amount than nothing. Some of the fine instruments and books have been sent to our hospital in Tanta, Egypt, to be used wherever they are most needed. Our missionaries have certainly had a very strenuous time in meeting the requirements of the Government and in taking care of our property.

The German nurse who was helping in the hospital went by plane to Germany as she felt her aged parents there needed her. She is thinking of joining the Red Cross in Germany. People of various nationalities were leaving Addis Ababa as fast as they could secure accommodations. The possibility of Italy's being in the war eventually has stirred up considerable anxiety among all classes.

INDIA

Our missionaries who were home on furlough this past year have had a rather difficult time in planning to go back to India as one arrangement after another has been made and later cancelled. However, the Misses Kate Hill, Addaline Brandon, Ruth Ardrey, and Margaret Murdoch were booked to leave New York for India on November 11 on the Italian Liner S. S. Rex. At Genoa they were to transfer to the S. S. Conte Biancamano for Bombay, arriving in India on December 3.

These missionaries had a very happy furlough but were kept quite busy making addresses. Miss Hill told many congregations and societies of her work in Sialkot Hospital and has enlisted so much interest that the special funds sent in to our Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill, are now almost sufficient to purchase the X-ray machine which is so badly needed in Sialkot Hospital.

We are sure the Mission will be very glad to have these co-workers return. The mails have evidently been very much hindered on account of the war as no direct information has come to us from India for some weeks. Indirectly we have heard that the German refugee doctor who was serving very acceptably in Sialkot Hospital and his wife (who has assisted since their marriage some months ago) have both been interned. This means that Dr. Hunsberger must carry the entire responsibility of the hospital herself. Also in the Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum, Dr. Helen Sharp is carrying on alone. We have but two doctors for our four hospitals in India. Let us pray that more workers may be raised up to go out and relieve these overburdened servants of the Lord.

Three of our India missionaries are remaining in America for a regular furlough. Two of these are on Deputational Work. Miss Hazel Bennett is telling the story of her work to the churches and societies throughout Iowa and vicinity with Mr. J. P. McKnight of The Sudan as her team worker. Miss Evelyn Cathcart and Dr. W. W. Hickman of Egypt were assigned to Xenia, Ohio Northwestern, First Ohio and Indiana Presbyteries. All have proved most acceptable visitors and tell us that they have everywhere met with very responsive audiences. Miss Evva Hartig, R.N. is devoting her time to taking some special studies which she feels will be helpful to her in her

work in Jhelum Hospital when she returns to India next year.

Let us pray for the safety of our missionaries as they journey over dangerous seas and that as they reach their place of service they may be used of the Master in building up His Kingdom. Let us pray, too, that more workers may be sent out to carry the message and that we at home may be more willing to give of our substance that this work may be carried on. And above all let us pray that there may be no more war and that the Prince of Peace may rule throughout the world.

NEGRO MISSIONS

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who have not been able to bring material.

All the Home Economics girls have been interested in the improvements the Board has made possible. Taking up the old linoleum and laying the new, was followed by some cleaning and renewing, over which the girls were enthusiastic because they had a part in it as a Home Economics project. As a little celebration after the cleaning, the girls prepared a treat of cocoanut loaf cake and hot cocoa, which was enjoyed by all of them.

The past week we have listened daily to Dr. Wilson's pre-communion services. We hear simple truths about the need of change of heart, God's way of saving the lost, our part in it and what it means to confess Christ and become His followers.

Materials for the sewing room are badly needed. Any society discovering an outlet for its activities, will find it in supplying materials for sewing rooms, both here and elsewhere.

Anna Rutherford.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Jubilee Hospital reports 78 patients cared for during the month with 9 major and 16 minor operations. A box received from the Y.W.M.S. of the Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, was much appreciated. Many thanks!

WE LEAVE ETHIOPIA

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the young people of the hospital.

And so we started on the 24 hour trip to Djibouti. It was ghastly hot there, and the roses fled from our babies' cheeks and horrid prickly heat rash took their place! We spent six dreadful days there before getting a boat to Aden. Tears came to our eyes as we saw a passenger boat just drawing into Aden harbor before us. We were told it might be the last for some time, so we took passage and landed in Bombay Sept. 7th. It was a hot, tense and anxious trip. Here, we found circumstances made it impossible for us to travel on to America as we had hoped, so we came north to members of our Mission family. How conscious we have been of the Presence of our Lord during these uncertain, hot and anxious days.

So, here, in Taxila, we wait, in comfort and among friends. A hope comes that our dear daddies may join us, because our Addis Ababa property had been expropriated, and a few months should finish business there.

Harriet Skemp Nystrom, M.D.

Indian Missions

MRS. ARTHUR B. McBRIDE, Secretary, 847 Thorne St., Sewickley, Pa.

POST-THANKSGIVING THOUGHTS

"We consider Thanksgiving a peculiarly American celebration and in truth, it is even more American than we realize for Indian-Americans observed special times of Thanksgiving. They, however, were not content with one Thanksgiving Day, they had eight, for various crops and special times of gratitude to the Great Spirit. It is very possible that the idea for what we term "the first Thanksgiving" did not originate with our Pilgrim forefathers but was borrowed from the friendly Indians who contributed so much to the well-being of those early settlers.

"Unfortunately, there was a long period of our history when white people seemed to forget the many friendly deeds of the Indians during the white man's time of need. Fortunately, we are now realizing—almost too late!—that the aborigines with a civilization far older than ours, had many contributions to make, some of which we ignored to our sorrow.

"While feeling grateful for the gifts of the Indians, let us remember the hundreds of young Indian students whose lives are touched by Christian influence through our interdenominational religious work maintained in five Government Indian Schools, one each in Oregon, California, New Mexico, Kansas and South Dakota. We all have a share in this work through our Boards and by our contributions on the World Day of Prayer. No one Board can reach young Indians of so many types, from the most primitive to those who seem just like any other young people, as by our cooperative approach, we can reach through our Religious Education program. The Directors conduct classes in religious subjects, hold Sunday services, share in social and recreational activities and scout work. Just as important is the personal friendship and counsel offered to individuals faced with difficult adjustment problems. The Directors often visit the home communities of the students during vacation. No one can measure the far-reaching influence of our religious program in which denominations cooperate."

(Excerpts From "Council of Women for Home Missions") notes in *The Missionary Review of the World*).

VISIT TO CELILO FALLS

Mr. Edward J. Sam visited Celilo Falls, Oregon on October 12th to look over the field for work among the fishermen there. He found that there were about four hundred fishermen, and when he spoke of a possible mission work among them, he said there were expressions of joy on their faces, and inquiries came concerning the beginning of a service among them.

While down by the river, (the Columbia River) talking to the men, one of them handed Mr. Sam his net saying, "You catch a salmon for yourself." He did, and he was lucky in catching a salmon weighing forty pounds. He took it home with him and at the dinner at the McKinley Chapel they had this delicious fish.

Mr. Sam says, "Celilo is calling for help."

INDIAN ARROWS

Mrs. Ryan, one of our fine church workers from Glencullen, is helping the Lawsons for a few months in their home and is a great spiritual comfort to us as well as a blessing to the teachers' home. Mr. Lawson and I expect to obtain the signatures of the parents of the children in the Simnasho School, for Bible teaching.

E. H. C.

By Courtesy of the Royal Drawing Society and The MISSIONARY MONTHLY, Toronto, Canada.

A Red Indian School Boy in British Columbia, made this Picture which is worked on Leather. He sent it to the Royal Drawing Society Exhibition, London, where it gained a Bronze Medal.

See the baby Jesus as a little papoose—a Red Indian baby—and the Canadian animals coming to visit him.

Junior Department

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JUNIOR SPECIAL

The Junior Special for the year 1939-1940 has been designated for medical work in the South Sudan. The amount asked is $2,000. The need for medical work in the South Sudan is very great. It is a Special Work in which we believe the Juniors will be very much interested. Junior Special Dime cards are a great help in gathering this offering. They may be had from the Literature Department and are free for postage. Orders for these should be sent very soon.

Miss Elsie E. Grove, who has been a missionary for many years, has sent us an article which sets forth the need in the South Sudan.

THE MINISTRY OF HEALING

By ELSIE E. GROVE
Doleib Hill, The Sudan

It was a sorry sight that met His eye by that Bethesda Pool. The lame, the sick, the blind, the halt, the withered, the impotent, from whatever cause, sat or lay around awaiting the moving of the water: a multitude of broken, useless, diseased humanity whose only hope, so they thought, lay in the moving of that water and their being able to get into it. Into the midst of this hopeless, helpless group walked the Master of life bearing life, abundant life for the body and soul. To one seemingly more hopeless than the others, thirty-eight years in his infirmity, he addressed himself, "Wouldest thou be made whole?" In answer to his pleading face and request he was made whole.

Wherever He went the Lord of Life brought healing to both soul and body; His was a ministry of healing as well as of teaching and preaching. So important was this ministry in His eyes that even those whom He sent forth were commissioned not only to teach, preach and baptize but to heal the sick as well; it has never been changed.

It is a far call, (or is it?) from that Bethesda Pool to a multitude of sick, blind, halt, wounded, suffering, starving blacks awaiting not "the moving of the water" but the medical help of their white-haired black brother who has been ministering to them for years in the clinic of Doleib Hill. They come by ones, twos and threes and they come in groups. They come by themselves and they come brought by others even as of old.

Let us visit this little clinic. Huddled together on the floor the women and children fill one corner of the room while men and boys are scattered about here and there as they await their turn. As we enter, our clinic man has a little baby on his knee tenderly ministering to its sore eyes. The tiny tot had scarcely opened its eyes in this world until they were again closed in disease. A look at the waiting group reveals the fact that babies and small children predominate and sore eyes other than trachoma far outnumber all other complaints — one hundred and five cases in April and over a hundred in July. Flies in swarms gather in the eyes of these tots going from one to the other, carrying disease to all eyes they touch.

Now he is treating a man for syphilis, known to the Shilluk as the foreigner's disease; most deftly the intravenous injection is given. Next is a horrible, yawning ulcer with its foul-smelling, nauseating discharge. Thus we might follow him through his treatments. In April 322 persons were treated for the following complaints: syphilis, gonorrhea, trachoma, eyes, ears, skin, wounds, dysentery (amoebic), malaria, tropical ulcer, chicken-pox, measles, mumps, pneumonia, whooping cough, and other diseases. In the same month

372 persons were vaccinated. In July 389 persons were treated for practically the same list of complaints with a case of T.B. and a case of yaws. In this manner much suffering has been alleviated—but war has now upset all of this. The drugs for this work have been supplied by the government. "Be careful of your drugs for it will be a long time before another issue will be made," was the instruction received from the Governor when the trouble began. Shortly afterwards almost every person we met had bad colds and were coughing. Asked if they had gone to the clinic we were told that the medicine was finished. Soon the medicine for this and the medicine for that will be finished and all of the suffering will be unalleviated. Can it be so? *Must* it be so?

"And as ye go, preach saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons: freely ye have received, freely give," commissioned the Lord of Life His disciples as He sent them forth. To the seventy going forth he said "heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you."

This commission still stands. I hear Him speak again from Tambaram: "The Church exists to continue the work Christ began. . . . The ministry of health and healing belongs to the essence of the Gospel and is, therefore, an integral part of the mission to which Christ has called, and is calling, His Church. In some lands and areas, the need presses more heavily than in others, and where that is so, a special obligation rests upon churches and missions to make full proof of their ministry of healing. . . . The ministry of health and healing should from the outset, be integrated in the life of the indigenous churches. . . . In view of their financial and other limitations, the indigenous churches stand at present in need of all the help the older churches can give in funds and personnel for this ministry."

Most certainly our little church in Shulla Land cannot take over this work though it should be trained to do what it can. Help is badly needed from the Mother Church.

The voice from Tambaram did not stop here, it speaks further: "There is a clear call to give greater attention to preventive medicine. This will mean active sharing in all forms of health and welfare work and health teaching in schools. . . . Rural areas, where the unmet needs are desperate, lay a special obligation on the Christian forces. Health service is an indispensable element in any adequate scheme of rural reconstruction. . . . Wherever there is a church its members should lead in the endeavor to make the health enterprise thoroughly Christian in spirit."

"Desperate" is the word to describe our need in Shulla Land. Any epidemic carries off babies and children by the score. Mothers know nothing of rules for health and sanitation and the young girls whose responsibility it is to care for the little tots know even less. Mothers and children are in a weakened condition because of lack in their diet and fall an easy prey to disease. In spite of the great power of the sun's rays in a tropical land germs abound in filth and dirt everywhere. Members of the native church need teaching along this line just about as much as any of the others; we need helpers from the Mother Church for this task.

Come over into Shulla Land and help us.

Temperance and Reform Department

MRS. HARRIET S. BOOBYER, Secretary, 904 Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

IMPERATIVES FOR CHURCH WOMEN IN TIME OF WAR

The above is the heading of a statement recently made by the National Committee of Church Women in which the Committee sets forth the immediate tasks which are before church women. Brief as these are, they are worthy of our serious thought and helpful cooperation.

"1. Be constant in faith in the ultimate triumph of righteousness and peace, and the coming of the time when all men shall be united in a Christian family of nations.

2. Pray without ceasing, and let all prayer be free from hatred or from prejudice against any people.

3. Seek the truth, and analyze all propaganda in order to prevent hatred and unjust opinions about any people.

4. Pray and work for a just peace and for the acceptance by the American people of their share in the work of building a society of nations founded on peace and justice.

5. Support those governmental policies which seem most likely to insure peace and security to the United States and at the same time enable her to play her part in the task of establishing permanent peace throughout the world.

6. Urge all Christians to renounce as unchristian the making of profits out of the sinews of war.

7. Aid those who are caring for the refugees and the victims of war.

8. Strengthen the work of the church in each community, that it may be free from all racial discrimination and become a laboratory for the building of a Christian democracy.

9. Educate the children in Christian tolerance, justice and love, in the home, day school and church school.

10. Practice tolerance, kindness, and fairness towards other people in the consciousness that all men are brothers in Christ and children of God.

11. Work unceasingly for the Kingdom of God on earth in the knowledge that only through the demonstration of Christian principles will righteousness and peace prevail among men."

HAD YOU READ?

That "at a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Curtis Publishing Company in Philadelphia, a stockholder offered a resolution that the company accept liquor advertising in its three periodicals, *The Saturday Evening Post, The Ladies' Home Journal,* and *The Country Gentleman.* President W. D. Fuller replied, 'We receive bales of letters from our subscribers complimenting the company on its present policy and pledging their support. In addition a number of other advertisers have said that they would withdraw their advertising from our magazine if we accepted liquor advertising. In the opinion of the management, the result would be that the gain in liquor advertising would be more than offset by the losses in other advertising, circulation and prestige. On the basis of our present policy the company is doing fairly well." Reprint from *Missions.*

Literature Department

MRS. A. J. RANDLES, Secretary, 904 Publication Bldg., Ninth St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR JANUARY PROGRAMS

Women and the Way: Christ and the World's Womanhood, Cloth, $1.00, paper 50 cents.

How to Use Women and the Way, 10 cents.

One Great Fellowship, 25 cents. A collection of photographs and pictographs, with accompanying descriptive text, showing vividly the impact of Christ on the world in the past, the present implications of that impact, and the goals for the future of world missions. Valuable for use in all grades.

Comrades Round the World: Christian Youth in Action, Cloth $1.00, paper 60 cents. This book is intended for Young People but is excellent supplementary material.

Also good material for reference is suggested on the Literature Department page of the November Magazine under the heading which should read *For December Programs.* Denominational and Supplemental:

How A Moslem Girl Became A Soul Winner, 3 cents (Egypt)

An Arab Girl, 3c (Egypt)

Fatma, A Bible Woman Of Egypt, 3c.

Zainab And Ruth, 3c (India)

Walls In The Sudan, 3c.

My Friend, The Shulla Woman, 3c (Sudan).

THE PRAYER CYCLE

We expect to have the 1940 Prayer Cycle ready at the usual time—the latter part of December. Orders received will be placed on file and filled as soon as possible after printing is completed.

MISSIONARY PICTURE SHEET

If you want an amazing presentation of the "Messengers of the Gospel of Peace" who are depending upon us—who are the responsibility of our Missionary Societies—you should have this sheet. Mailed to you for 25 cents.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

February 9, 1940

The theme: *"In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."* Isaiah 30:15.

The program prepared by Miss Muriel Lester and Miss Doris Lester, is divided into four principal parts suggested by the following references:

I. Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10.

II. In quietness and confidence shall be your strength. Isaiah 30:15.

III. The work of righteousness shall be peace and the effect of righteousness, quietness, and assurance forever. Isaiah 32:17.

IV. The Kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and He shall reign forever and ever. Revelation 11:15.

We shall be able to furnish supplies for this Day of Prayer and shall appreciate early orders.

Tributes

MRS. FLORA STRAIT
MRS. MARY SAGASSER

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church, of Amoret, Missouri, wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of two of our loyal members, Mrs. Flora Strait and Mrs. Mary Sagasser.

Mrs. Strait's life was a living testimony of her love and loyalty to her Christ and His church.

Mrs. Sagasser used all her talents in the Master's service. She loved her Saviour, she loved God's house and was present at all services as long as health permitted.

"Heaven is richer, and nearer, because our friends are there."

Mrs. Mary Clayton
Mrs. Mellie Hall
Mrs. Mary Mitchell

MRS. JOHN CALVIN SMITH

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Cadiz, Ohio, wishes to pay a tribute of love and respect to our Pastor's wife, Mrs. John Calvin Smith, who entered into rest August 31, 1939.

While we regret that, owing to continued illness we were deprived of her presence among us, yet her efficiency and interest in missionary affairs are well known to the readers of The Womens Missionary Magazine through her splendid contributions to the Girls Circle Page.

To her loved ones we extend our sincere sympathy and commend them to the care of our loving Heavenly Father.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord . . . Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Mrs. J. B. Worley
Mrs. J. W. Newlin

MRS. EVA B. McBRIDE

In the death of Mrs. Eva B. McBride, June 16, 1939, after a few hours' illness, both the Missionary Society and the Women's Bible Class of the United Presbyterian church of Sewickley, Pennsylvania, lost a faithful member.

Surviving her husband, the Rev. S. B. McBride, by a number of years, Mrs. McBride had lived beyond the allotted span; she would have been ninety-six in December.

She was a woman of fine mental powers; her executive ability, her acquaintance with God's Word and her reverence for His day and His house were alike outstanding. It was her delight in season to send her garden's choicest flowers to the church, even after she was unable to be present in person, and, in the autumn, her generous Thank Offering; now, all weakness gone, she joins those who "serve Him day and night in His temple."

Committee

MRS. IDA LAFFERTY

Mrs. Ida Lafferty, a member of the Second United Presbyterian Church of Spokane, Wash., died October 4, 1939.

The Woman's Missionary Society wishes to bear testimony to her long and faithful service as a Christian worker in our Church for the 28 years she has been a member.

For many years she taught a class of young women in our Sabbath School and always took an active part in our Missionary Society, serving as Prayer Group Secretary.

Mrs. Lafferty was a graduate of Monmoth College and was a teacher before her marriage.

We honor her memory for her friendship, kindness, love and inspiration.

Signed:
Mrs. G. H. Raymond
Mrs. W. H. Evans
Mrs. W. W. Moffett

MRS. CHARLES R. McMURRAY

The members of the Women's Missionary Society of Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church, Thomas, Pa., pays a tribute of love and respect to the memory of Mrs. Chas. R. McMurray, who was called to her Heavenly Home on August 7, 1939.

She had been a life-long member of the Church, Bible School and Missionary Society.

She was quiet and unassuming, yet loved her church. Our lives are made richer, more like the Master's because of her devotional life, and we shall cherish her memory. To those of us who knew her best, no words could more fittingly express our admiration of her Christian character than these, "A worthy woman, whose price was far above rubies."

The world is better for Mrs. McMurray having lived, for she chose the better part, and her influence will live. To her loved ones we extend our love and sympathy.

Mrs. W. G. Hamilton
Mrs. Esther McMillen
Mrs. C. H. Pease

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3. Sending students, already graduates of mission colleges to America for post graduate work.

4. Giving furloughed missionaries the opportunity of taking the special courses offered by the above named schools and other schools in America.

5. Providing missionaries in all lands with the fine literature put out by the Rural Missions Co-operating Committee. While specialists are needed in centers, many an outlying station has but one man and his wife to instruct families and to demonstrate a Christian home. Such workers would be tremendously helped by these publications.

6. Specially prepared text books on Home Economics and Hygiene for elementary schools.

7. Periodicals for the ever increasing readers, in plain language suited for youth who have finished elementary schools, with information on general topics and special helps for home makers.

8. Recommending the Cottage system for boarding schools.

9. Child Welfare centers for instructing mothers in the care of children.

10. Mothers' Clubs and older girls' clubs where a new type of social life may be developed.

11. Simple devotional literature in addition to the Bible for help in family worship.

The Editor was in Detroit at the time of the conference and was asked by the Women's Board to attend. It gave one a feeling of satisfaction to note that many of the policies suggested for various countries are already used in our own fields.

Two highly qualified teachers of Home Economics are training girls in the College for Girls in Cairo, Egypt.

One graduate of the College has been taking post graduate work in Home Economics in Philadelphia. Special books for elementary schools have been prepared. Temple University loaned Miss Grace Nadig two years ago to Egypt. Miss Nadig spent a year writing three books: "Health;" "Food;" "Clothes." The Minister of Education became interested and ordered a large number of the first edition to be used in government schools.

Miss Minnehaha Finney introduced Kindergartens into our school system in Egypt and Miss Ruth Williamson wrote books for Kindergartners.

Basheer-En-Niswan in India and *El Talibah* in Egypt, provide wholesome reading for girls and women.

The Cottage system where girls are arranged in families managing their own households is used in India. The system has been highly developed in Khartum North, where the girls plan meals, and handle their own budgets. A Model House in connection with Luxor High School is used for part time demonstration. In most of the schools a live baby is provided for real practice in bathing and dressing.

Child welfare clinics are a part of Sialkot, India and Jhelum hospitals. The Center conducted by Miss Jane Smith and Miss Gomer in Cairo has been helping mothers and babies for many years. The Well Baby Clinic in Ethiopia is closed.

Our boards have provided the opportunity for several missionaries

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Report of the Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America from April 16 to September 30, 1939

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Negro Missions	Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Benevolence	Contingent Fund	Women's Ass'n. Work: Orphans' Home	Women's Ass'n. Work: Home for Aged People	Women's Ass'n. Work: Columbia Hospital	Isaiah	Temperance	Legacies	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany		25.00																25.00
Allegheny	684.00	1210.00	119.00	73.00	112.00	47.00	27.00	42.00	64.00					42.00	26.00			2446.00
Argyle		157.00	17.50								4.80							179.30
Arkansas Valley	2.00	262.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	5.00		1.00					1.00	2.00			280.00
Beaver Valley	351.00	562.00	30.00	6.00	10.00	6.00	25.00		5.00	5.00				5.00	9.00	309.00		1323.00
Big Spring																		
Boston		200.00																200.00
Butler	43.00	81.00	15.00	33.00	7.00	5.00	5.00		5.00						8.00			202.00
Caledonia	4.00	85.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	3.00	3.00		1.00						1.00			103.00
Cedar Rapids		191.00					2.00											193.00
Chartiers	10.00	423.00	223.00	10.00	10.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	6.90	1.00		5.00	6.00	3.00			706.90
Chicago	26.00	224.00	13.00		14.00	6.00		4.00	17.00	2.00	8.00			2.00	13.00			329.00
Cleveland	13.00	180.00	13.00	11.00	11.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	10.00					3.75	5.00			260.75
College Springs																		
Colorado	100.00																	100.00
Concordia																		
Conemaugh	4.00	143.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00		4.00	1.75		2.00		2.00	1.00			167.75
Delaware	10.00	50.00																60.00
Des Moines																		
Detroit	88.00	35.00	7.00	2.00	2.00	2.00			1.00						1.00			138.00
Hudson	1.00	260.00	38.00	2.00	2.00		9.00		1.00		2.00	2.00			1.00			316.00
Idaho	10.00	15.00	12.00	5.00	5.00	2.00			2.00	1.00				2.70	2.00			56.70
Illinois Southern	30.00	254.00	16.00	8.00	6.00	5.00					26.43				9.00			354.43
Indiana	9.00	12.00	1.00								2.00							24.00
Kansas City																		
Keokuk	9.00	25.00	9.00	2.00	2.00					3.80	1.00			5.00				56.80
Lackawanna																		
Lake	5.00																	
Lima	47.00		39.00	15.00	15.00	32.00		10.00	32.00					1.00	16.00			
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Oregon		154.00																
Philadelphia	294.00	225.00	30.00															
Puget Sound																		
Rock Island	8.00	52.00																
San Francisco	13.00	76.00	8.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	2.00	5.00		.50								
Spokane								1.00	6.00									
Steubenville															5.00	6.00		
Tennessee		15.00																
Uncompahgre		5.00													2.00			
Vermont																		
Westmoreland										1.55								
Wheeling																		
Wisconsin	100.00	100.00																
Xenia	17.00	379.00	16.00	19.00	8.00													
Warm Springs Congregation	4.00		4.00	7.72	4.00						10.00					16.00		
Avalon Congregation		180.00																
Boulevard Sabbath School		240.00																
Ezel Congregation			100.00															
Frenchburg Congregation			225.75															
First Los Angeles Cong.		142.86																
Marissa Congregation		360.00																
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller		800.00																
Rochester, N. Y., Cong. & S. S.		393.40																
Sparta Congregation		360.00																
Estate of W. L. Taylor		450.00																
Valencia Congregation		135.00																
Walton Sabbath School		100.00																
Woods Sisters		200.00																
Women's Friendly Bible Class		9.00																
Morgan Co. Board of Edu.			426.80															
Menifee Co. Board of Edu.			2904.00															
Mrs. J. G. McCrory	100.00	400.00																
Annuities																		
Parsonage Repayments						5910.93											4900.00	
Returned on Loan Investment																		
Investment Income																	2350.00	
Interest	7.23					140.00				324.58							15225.87	
India Permanent Equip.																	612.92	
Legacies																	73.92	
McAuley Payments																		
Martha Lockhart Mason Fund															6102.43			
Registration Fees																	75.00	
Refunds																	168.83	
Duke Endowment	303.38		5.74	25.93	47.16				50.00								155.00	
Individuals, Classes, etc.					4165.00										135.28	8.80	82.50	
TOTALS	902.87	114.00	215.00	45.00	167.31	96.80				168.05						7.84		
	3290.48	12791.76	4727.79	282.65	4757.47	6282.73	100.14	127.00	211.00	529.63	60.23	4.00	5.00	219.48	143.64	6877.13	23643.84	

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS
April 16 to September 30, 1939

San Diego Sabbath School	$ 60.00
Home Council	10.00
Rent of Simnasho House	45.00
Pittsburg, Kansas, Congregation	100.00
A friend	19.14
Congregations and Individuals	260.00
Central Omaha Sabbath School	22.98
Philadelphia Societies	140.00
Friends	5.50
John C. Park	100.00
Home Missions Offerings	195.00
Cleveland W. M. S.	5.00
A friend	40.00
East Craftsbury Mission Society	45.00
Mrs. Jennie Doig	15.00
LaCrosse, Kansas, W. M. S.	98.80
Helen M. Klose	8.00
A friend	200.00
Boyden Congregation	17.31
Grinnell Convention Committee	155.00
Robinson Run Sabbath School	2.25
A friend	40.00
Des Moines W. M. S.	15.00
Lake Y. P. C. U.	20.00
Elizabeth McLaughline	15.00
A friend	25.00
Mrs. M. Chr. Estvad	10.00
Gleaners Class	30.00
Tarentum Young Women	1.80
Women's Friendly Bible Class	9.00
A friend	1.25
Sale of Temperance Leaflets	7.84
Total	$1,718.87

PARSONAGE COLLECTIONS
April 16 to September 20, 1939

Auburn Heights, Michigan	$ 125.00
Arkansas City, Kansas	111.00
Allenside, Akron, Ohio	125.00
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown, O.	150.00
Brown Avenue, Erie, Pa.	238.44
Beverly Heights, Pittsburgh, Pa.	154.67
Beechview, Pittsburgh, Pa.	120.00
Bolivar, Pa.	179.38
Boston, Pa.	200.00
Crafton Heights, Pittsburgh, Pa.	154.67
Culver City, California	90.00
College Hill, Wichita, Kansas	126.97
Donation, La Crosse, Kansas	98.80
Everett, Washington	218.50
First Toledo, Ohio	103.00
First Akron, Ohio	75.00
First Wichita, Kansas	30.00
Fairmont Park, Canton, Ohio	52.55
Girls' College, Cairo, Egypt	235.42
Gibson Heights, Youngstown, O.	100.00
Harmarville, Pa.	170.04
Hasson Heights, Oil City, Pa.	188.34
Ingram, Pa.	148.00
Kenton, Ohio	25.00
Kenmore, N. Y.	200.00
Leetsdale, Pa.	150.00
Linesville, Pa.	109.90
Monessen, Pa.	25.00
Multnomah, Oregon	158.00
Mayfair, Philadelphia, Pa.	156.95
Montrose, Colorado	100.00
North Hill, Akron, Ohio	25.00
Niagara, N. Y.	120.00
Newton, Kansas	60.00
North Avenue, Baltimore	15.00
Pleasant Grove, Youngstown, Ohio, Interest	20.00
Pleasant Grove, Youngstown, Ohio	74.00
Reedurban, Ohio	90.00
Reed Memorial, Lyndhurst, N. J.	96.67
Rushville, Indiana	69.50
Second San Francisco	232.02
Scottdale, Pa.	36.90
Superior, Nebraska	67.67
San Jose, California	118.80
Sayo, Ethiopia	388.50
West 44th Street, New York City, Interest	120.00
Wilmington, Delaware	112.14
Woodruff Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana	103.56
West View, Pittsburgh, Pa.	64.34
Woodville, Pa.	100.00
Warren, Ohio	116.00
Total	$6,149.73

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to take the special courses offered by Cornell and Ames. Some missionaries from the Sudan have taken advantage of trips through the South given by the Agricultural Foundation.

All these methods are used as helps in "Home and Family Education," not as substitutes for daily family worship and prayer. The Christian home—the home where Christ is loved, honored and obeyed, which in all its functions is God-centered is basic to the church and to the nation. No part of our world program is more vital than the establishment of real Christian homes out of which will be built the Christian church.

PRESENT ADDRESS OF MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT

(c-o American Mission should be added to each foreign address)

INDIA

Miss Ruth I. Ardrey, 1921—Sialkot City
Miss Helen Artman, 1920—Sialkot City
Miss Kathryn Beattie, 1930—Lyallpur
Miss Minnie Beatty, 1912—Abbottabad
Miss R. Jean Black, 1921—Sialkot City
Miss Adah P. Boggs, R.N., 1938—Pathankot
Miss Lois Boyd, 1918—Sialkot City
Miss N. Addaline Brandon, 1931—Sialkot City
Miss Frances E. Brown, 1927, 1937—Lyallpur
Miss Theresa I. Brownlee, 1922—Sialkot City
Miss Lois Buchanan, 1910—Pathankot
Miss Marie Cash, R.N., 1926—Pasrur
Miss Margaret Fehlman, 1913—Zafarwal
Miss Betsy Fleming, 1918—Sargodha
Miss Eva M. Hewitt, 1930—Campbellpur
Miss Alice G. Hill, 1938—Pathankot
Miss Kate A. Hill, 1896—Sialkot City
Miss Janette Howland, 1921—Campbellpur
Miss Reba C. Hunsberger, M.D., 1921—Sialkot City
Miss Flora Jameson, 1903—Sangla Hill
Miss Mary Kyle, 1904—Pasrur
Miss Olive Laing, 1912—Rawalpindi
Miss Sarah Jane Lamont, 1928—Pathankot
Miss Mary Frances Lincoln, R.N., 1920—Sargodha
Miss Glendine Lundquist, R.N., 1932—Sialkot City
Miss Laura R. MacLachlan, 1938—Pathankot
Miss Elizabeth F. McConnell, R.N., 1931—Jhelum
Miss Lillian A. McConnell, 1902—Jhelum
Miss E. Marjorie McCrory, 1936—Gujranwala
Miss Evelyn M. McKelvey, R.N., 1938—Sialkot City
Miss Margaret Murdoch, 1924—Sheikhupura
Dr. Harriet Skemp Nystrom, 1937—Taxila, India, c/o American Mission
Miss Marian T. Peterson, 1930—Rawalpindi
Miss Willa M. Ramsey, 1921—Pathankot
Miss Grace N. Ranson, 1936—Sangla Hill
Miss Laura Reynolds, 1924—Sangla Hill
Miss Louise Scott, 1916—Gujranwala
Miss Helen C. Sharp, M.D., 1932—Jhelum
Miss Kate E. Spencer, 1918—Sargodha
Miss Vivian Trimble, 1921—Pathankot
Miss Ruth A. Warnock, 1913, 1936—Sargodha
Miss Helen V. Weede, 1922—Zafarwal
Miss Georgia Wengert, 1920—Gurdaspur
Miss Dora B. Whitely, 1911—Pasrur

HONORARY MISSIONARY

Miss Mary J. Campbell, 1884—1435 Shepherd St., Washington, D. C.

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

Miss Hazel Bennett—1683 Potomac Ave., S. H., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Evelyn Cathcart, 1925—Marissa, Ill.
Miss Vida J. Graham, 1922—5 S. Portland Ave., Ventnor, N. J.
Miss Evva P. Hartig, 1924—Frostburg, Md.

RETIRED

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, 1881—231 Franklin St., Slippery Rock, Pa.
Miss Laurella G. Dickson, 1897—Tarkio, Mo.
Miss Ella M. Gordon, 1893—Pattersonville, N. Y.
Miss Mary Lawrence, 1893, c/o Mrs. R. E. Ayers, New Concord, Ohio
Miss Mary E. Logan, 1891—Rushville, Ind.
Miss Rosa McCullough, 1879—Greenwood, Mo.
Miss Henrietta A. Moore, 1898—138 Steel St., Cambridge Springs, Pa.

EGYPT

Miss Hazel E. Anderson, 1937—Luxor
Miss Margaret A. Bell, 1901—Fayoum
Miss Helen R. Brownlee, R.N., 1934—Assiut
Mrs. Mary K. Coventry, 1918—Benha
Miss Anna B. Criswell, 1905—Assiut
Miss Mary F. Dawson, 1922—Cairo
Mrs. Ada A. Dunlap, 1926—Fayoum, Egypt
Miss Lucia Dwight, 1919—Beni Suef
Miss Davida Finney, 1915—Assiut
Miss Elsie French, 1909—Cairo
Miss Martha C. Glass, 1922—Assiut
Miss Eulalia D. Grether, 1929—Tanta
Miss Alice Grimes, 1924—Cairo
Miss A. Constance Harper, 1937—Alexandria
*Miss Rena L. Hogg, 1899—Assiut
Miss Lois D. Kingan, 1926—Benha
Miss Lucy Lightowler, 1921—Cairo
Miss Helen J. Martin, 1915—Cairo
Miss E. Roxy Martin, 1901—Minia
Miss Dora B. Mason, 1918—Assiut
Miss Ruth McCleery, 1931—Luxor
Miss Evelyn McFarland, 1919—Cairo
Miss E. McKibben, R.N., 1924—Tanta
Miss Mabel McMichael, 1937—Tanta
Miss Carol E. McMillan, 1906—Beni Suef, Egypt
Miss Sarah B. Meloy, 1923—Cairo
Miss Marion A. Paden, 1902—Tanta
Miss Venna R. Patterson, 1924—Minia, Egypt
Miss Frances Patton, 1922—Mansura
Miss Stella Robertson, 1922—Cairo
Miss Martha A. Roy, 1938—Cairo
Miss Edna B. Sherriff, 1920—Alexandria
Miss Nellie C. Smith, 1911—Cairo
Miss Mary L. Thompson, 1917—Assiut
Miss Helen M. Walker, 1930—Assiut
Miss Laura B. Walker, 1904—Mansura
Miss Ethel L. Weed, 1919—Alexandria
Miss Ida B. Whiteside, 1918—Luxor
Miss Esther W. Wilson, 1919—Luxor
Mrs. Margaret J. Work, 1939—Cairo
Miss Ruth A. Work, 1904—Assiut
Miss Laura Wright, 1921—Tanta

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

*Miss Ella M. Barnes, 1911—926 E. 1st St., Monmouth, Ill.
Miss Leota Cabeen, 1909—1519—5th Ave., St. Joseph, Mo.
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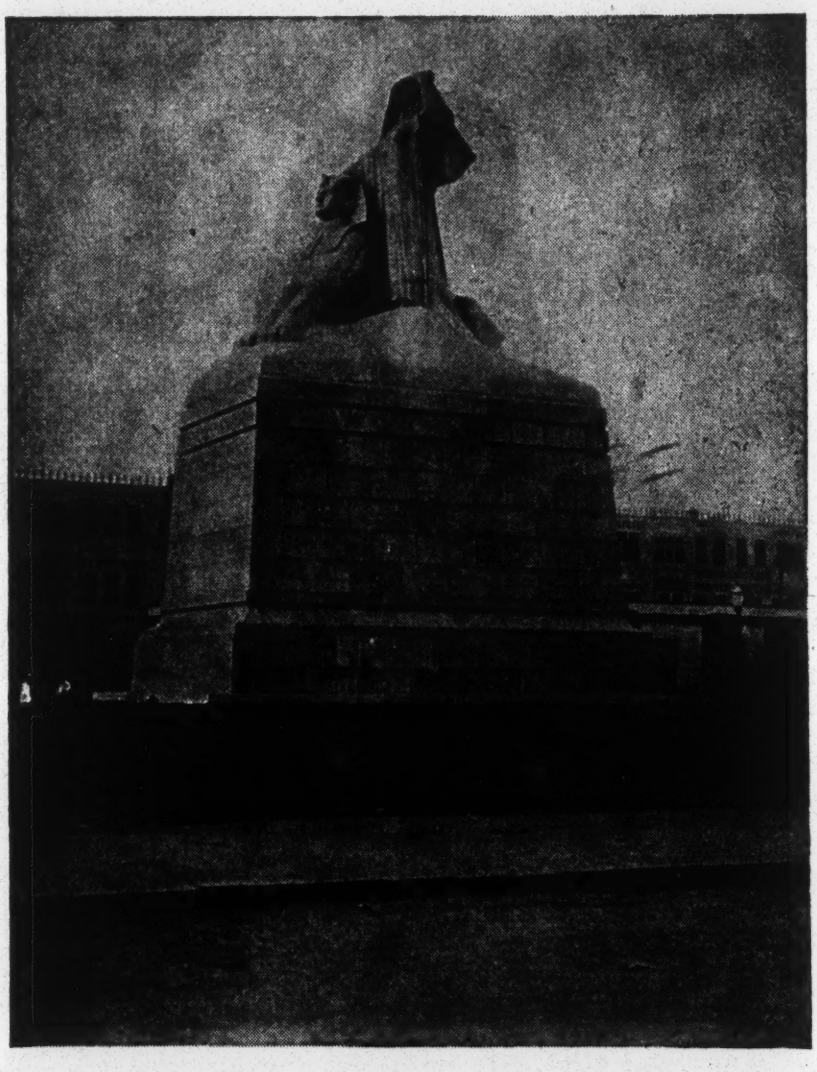
MY GUIDE

I do not know the road ahead
Which I the coming year must tread;
Yet shall I never fear the way
For God will guide me day by day.

The way I travel may be bright
Or fearsome dark as dead of night;
What it will be I need not know
Since God will lead me as I go.

(Mrs. C. W.) Elsie Wehling Fulton,
Secretary of Prayer Groups.



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